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Staff Sgt. James Christner, right, and Airman 1st Class Christopher Griep, both mechanics from the 374th aintenance Squadron pneudraulics element, Yokota Air Base, Japan, disassemble a C-130 aircraft b assembly carrier during an inspection Wednesday. Their unit over modifies and tests all pneudra components of C-130 cargo planes assigned and in-transit to Yokota. They also manufacture and proof-test C-130 hydraulic hoses and rigid tubing assemblies.

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Moussaoui case: The mental health of terrorism defendant Zacarias Moussaoui is likely to play a significant role if the potential death penalty case in Alexandria, Va., reaches the penalty phase, a vernment said in a motion Tuesday.

Prosecutors asked a judge for an order that would permit the government to conduct a mental examination - and receive mental health information on Moussaoui if the defense plans to raise the issue

The government would only use the evaluation and medical information to rebut any defense strategy to spare Moussaoui the death penalty by citing his mental condition, the motion said

Fla. teacher shooting: The Florida middle school student convicted of shooting his English teacher to death four years ago has fired his lawyer, saying he wants to represent himself

Nathaniel Brazill, now 17, is serving a 28-year sentence for killing Lake Worth Middle School teacher Barry Grunow.

Attorney Jack Thompson had taken Brazill's case, honing to help the teen reduce his sentence. Brazill fired him, saying he wanted to serve as his own lawyer. Thompson said in West Palm Reach

World

Gaza withdrawal: The Israeli government snubbed an international group of Mideast mediators in the region to discuss Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's plan to withdraw from the Gaza Strip, officials said Wednesday, adding it first wants to discuss the pullout with a U.S. delegation.

The representatives of the so-called Quartet - the United States, the European Union, the United Nations and Russia met Wednesday with Palestinian officials, who welcomed the visit.

The group is trying to push forward the Gaza withdrawal plan. It hopes the pullout will be the first step of the internationally backed "road map" peace plan

Marine funeral: Mexico apologized for disrupting the military funeral of a U.S. Marine killed in Iraq, but insisted that it had to make sure its laws outlawing foreign troops from carrying weapons on Mexican soil were upheld.

U.S. Ambassador Tony Garza had sent a blistering diplomatic note Tuesday demanding to know why Mexican troops interrupted the funeral Sunday for Lance Cpl. Juan

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Clinton documents: Clinton Presidential Library Director David Alsobrook walks past some material destined for the library Tuesday at the Clinton Presidential Archive warehouse. Former President Clinton will make 100,000 documents of domestic-policy records available to scholars and researchers Nov. 18, the day his presidential library opens, said Skip Rutherford, president of Clinton's nonprofit foundation. The papers make up a tiny part of the 630 tons of Clinton White House records that began the move Tuesday from the warehouse to the archives portion of the \$165 million Clinton Presidential Center.

Lopez, who had migrated to the United British embassies States from Mexico and was killed west of Baghdad on June 21.

The Mexican soldiers took issue with nonworking, ceremonial rifles carried by two Marines who traveled from the United States for the ceremony, but Garza said the Marines had worked everything out beforehand.

SARS crisis: Bowing to pressure over a slow, sloppy response to SARS, Hong Kong's health secretary resigned Wednesday to take blame for the crisis that killed hundreds and caused months of uncertainty and fear in the territory.

Dr. Yeoh Eng-kiong became a rare political casualty in a territory where critics charge that top aides of Hong Kong's leader, Tung Chee-hwa, often avoid being held accountable for problems.

Sri Lanka unrest: A Tamil Tiger suicide bomber detonated explosives at a police station Wednesday in Colombo, Sri Lanka, killing four officers in the first such attack in the capital since the rebels signed a cease-fire two years ago, police said.

Seven people were wounded and the bomber was killed in the blast, which occurred across the street from the U.S. and

Madrid bombings: The Spanish government accused Basque separatists of carrying out the Madrid train bombings blamed on Islamic terrorists - before experts had determined what kind of explosives were used, an official testified Wednesday

Juan Jesus Sanchez Manzano, head of the Interior Ministry's bomb disposal unit, testified in the second day of Spanish parliamentary hearings into the March 11 attack, which killed 190 people.

Sanchez Manzano said the type of explosives used in the blasts - Goma 2 Eco, a kind of dynamite - was not precisely identified until the next morning, after experts had been able to examine a backpack bomb that failed to explode.

Bird flu outbreak: China said Wednesday that wild birds may have sparked a new outbreak of avian flu on a lakeside farm, while Thailand confirmed fresh outbreaks in two central provinces

The cases in both countries involved the same severe bird flu strain that earlier this vear ravaged Asia's poultry industry and jumped to people in Vietnam and Thailand, killing 24. About 100 million chickens across the region were slaughtered to halt its spread. es and photo from wire service

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Misawa water plant to shut down for repairs

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — For Misawa main base residents, this would be a bad year for a dry spell.

The water plant that serves those living on the main part of base is shut down through Nov. 1 while the lower pump house is re-

The facility, when in use, produces about 450,000 gallons a day with water drawn from nearby Lake Anenuma, said Master Sgt. Eric Campbell, utilities superintendent for the 35th Civil Engineer Squadron.

To compensate for the shuttered plant, officials are increas-

Main base residents asked to conserve during work

ing production of six water wells that also supply water to the main base. They're also asking main

base residents to conserve water.

"We want to save wear and tear
on our well pumps," Campbell

The conservation recommendations apply to main base residents only through Nov. 1; people living in the North Area and on Security Hill receive their water from different sources. Information was not immediately available Wednesday on the number of residents affected

dents affected.

Main base residents are asked to refrain from:

watering lawns;

■ washing privately owned vehicles;
■ operating washing machines and dishwashers without full

loads; and

■ running the water and garbage disposal after the grinding

has stopped.
They also should report leaking faucets immediately to housing maintenance at DSN 226-4663, officials said. "There's many ways you can conserve water," Campbell said. "We always tell our kids, 'Don't brush your teeth with

the water running."

Residents won't be nunished

per se, for not adhering to the recommendations. But if they're seen or reported washing their car or watering the lawn, for instance, they may get a knock on the door reminding them to con-

serve water, Campbell said
During the reconstruction
project, the six water wells will
operate 18 — up from 11 — hours
a day, to produce about a million
gallons daily. That's about the
same amount the plant and wells
ump together, when both are operational, which means that
water production for main sed
during the construction project
work level off, Campbell said.

"People don't need to worry about any break in service due to the renovations," said Capt. John Haynes, a Misawa base spokesman. "Everything from the [water] tower to the sink is the same. It doesn't affect water pres-

sure or availability."

In the unlikely event of an extremely dry summer — Misawa receives about 33 inches of rainfall annually — "We could run the risk of drying out the aquifer," Campbell said.

Campoen said.

Local contractors are rebuilding the 1950s-era pump house. The government of Japan is funding the reconstruction. The project cost was not immediately available Wednesday.

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Top Marine visits Okinawa



BENJAMIN FASKE/Courtesy of the U.S. Marine Corps

Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Michael W. Hagee addresses Marines' dependents Monday at the Camp Foster Community Center: Hagee was on Okinaws from Saturday through Wednesday to visit Marines and observe the quality of life. While on Okinawa with his wife, Silke, Hagee paid visits to several Marine camps, ate meals with the tropos and participated in the review of a recent exercise.

Misawa airmen freed; charges of attempted murder dropped

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MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — The case against two Misawa airmen detained for almost two weeks on suspicion of attempted murder was dropped Wednesday, as prosecutors from Morioka city decided not to press charges, according to a spokesman from the Morioka District Public Prosecutor's Office.

Darius Antione Carlton and Michael Alan Maldonado — both 20 and airmen first class assigned to Misawa Air Base — were released from jail Wednesday in Morioka, a city about 70 miles south of Misawa.

Prosecutors considered the case to be assault and not attempted murder — as recommended by Morioka police. Taking other factors into account, prosecutors decided to waive the indictment, the spokesman said, declining to elaborate.

The airmen were arrested June 26, acused of beating two Japanese men who intervened in a fight between the service-members and other Japanese people in a Morioka city parking lot. Morioka police jailed the two airmen and recommended attempted-murder charges because the distribution of the commendation of

Base officials were not immediately available for comment Wednesday.

Sasebo sailors sentenced

Two sailors from Sasebo Naval Base, Japan, charged with stealing a fishing boat, received suspended prison sentences Wednesday in Nagasaki District Court.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Tyler Montayne Dutcher, 21, and Petty Officer 3rd Class Brandon James Kelley, 20, each received a one-year prison sentence suspended for four years, according to Nagasaki District

They were charged with stealing a boat from a seafood company in Kashimae Chi on April. Kelley received a 100,000 yen (about \$917) fine, and was charged with additional counts of endangering traffic through negligence while driving the boat.

They were arrested April 12 after being discovered in a fishing boat, worth about \$139,000, that they were accused of stealing and running aground. The two sailors pleaded guilty last month during the first hearing.

Misawa gate hours changed

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — New hours at the Falcon Gate that went into effect Wednesday will be in place for about four to six weeks, base officials said.

The gate is open to entry from 5 a.m. to noon; exit from noon to 6 p.m.; and entry from 6-11 p.m.

The new hours are in effect for the duration of a construction project to ugrade the gate's force-protection features. This year the Falcon, Friendship and Levitow gates are being reinforced with pop-up steel plates, bollards, high concrete curbs and tire shredders to meet more-stringent Air Force guidelines for entry-control points, officials said.

The main gate will continue to be staffed 24 hours a day for the time being.

The Levitow Gate by the commissary also is closed for force-protection upgrades.

Mai. Joe Milner, the 35th Security Force-

es Squadron commander, said in a written statement that the new hours at the Falcon Gate are intended to reduce traffic delays as much as possible.

Brown set to command

Army leaders Wednesday announced the new U.S. Army Pacific commander.

If he receives Senate confirmation, Maj. Gen. John M. Brown III will replace Lt. Gen. James L. Campbell, the Defense Department announced.

partment announced. Campbell, the Army's Pacific commander since November 2002, will become director of the Army staff at the Pentagon.

Brown has served as commanding general of U.S. Army Alaska since 2002. Prior to his current assignment, he was deputy commanding general for transformation in the

Training and Doctrine Command at Fort

Lewis, Wash.

Brown holds a bachelor's degree in biology from West Georgia College and a master's degree in industrial management from Georgia Tech. He's a graduate of the Infantry Officers Advanced Course, Army Command and General Staff College and the National War College.

U.S. Army Pacific, based at Fort Shafter, Hawaii, includes more than 11,500 soldiers and civilians assigned to U.S. Army Japan, U.S. Army Alaska, U.S. Army Hawaii and I Corps.

Fire department honored

The regional fire department of Commander, Naval Forces Japan is the recipient of three of the six 2003 Navy Fire and Emergency Service Awards. CNFJ blazed through the competition by winning Fire Department of the Year, Civilian Fireflighter of the Year and Fireflighter Heroism Award of the Year.

Both military and civilian U.S. Navy firefighters are considered for the annual

"The fire department received the award for its accomplishments throughout the year in all aspects of firefighting," said Regional Fire Chief Dan Marshall.

Fire Protection Crew Chief Akihito Sato received the Firefighter Heroism Award for rescuing two people from a house fire last year. The Civilian Firefighter of the Year

award recognized Drillmaster Thomas Epperson for his accomplishments of training personnel and coordinating training courses.

The awards will be presented Aug. 16 in

New Orleans at the Navy and Marine Corps Fire and Emergency Service Awards and Recognition Conference. CNFJ will represent the Navy in the Department of Defense Fire and Emergency

Service Award Competition on Aug. 18 in New Orleans.

Liberation Day permits coveted

People camped out Wednesday night at the Paseo Grounds on Guam for a chance to grab one of the 100 permits available for prime viewing of the 60th annual Liberation Day Parade. The \$50 permits for camping slots along

the parade route were to be given out Thursday at the Paseo Recreation Building's center court. Also available were 10 vendor permits at the same price. Camping slots were marked off from the HagAtOa Sewage Treatment Plant south to Marine Corps Drive and Diamond Auto Parts in Anigua.

In previous years, the permits sold quickly, according to the Department of Parks and Recreation's Parks Division.

From staff reports

Web site to offer troops Google's e-mail

By SANDRA JONTZ Stars and Strines

ARLINGTON, Va. - There appears to be such a thing as a free lunch for deployed troops and

their families Now it's a matter of feeding

them, so to speak. Some self-professed computer geeks have joined to give de-ployed troops access to invitations for Google's free e-mail service, Gmail, which offers an unprecedented one gigabyte of storage that will let them share photographs and videos across the In-

Gmail is currently available to the public only through the much-coveted invitations, which let users test it out as Google experiments with the software. Demand for the invitations is so high that they are being auctioned on eBay, and Internet sites have popped up where people barter deeds - mostly good deeds - in exchange for an invitation.

Now invitations for the free e-mail accounts are available for troops overseas, particularly those serving in combat zones, said Anne Mitchell, president and CEO of the California-based consulting firm Institute for Spam and Internet Public Policy

To register, troops need to log to www.Gmail4troops.com and select "request an invite."

"We've heard from some of the troops who said one picture from their wife, and it wiped out their entire storage space, or a new photo would delete an older one [Gmail] has a gig of storage, and troops can see clips of home movies, clips of their babies taking their first steps, of their chil-dren's graduations," Mitchel Mitchell

While the accounts are available to all servicemembers, "we are giving priority to those in the Iraq and Afghanistan and we ask them to let us know if they are enlisted, warrant officer, or officer, what unit they're in and where they are stationed," she said.

We ask if they are enlisted or not because, though have been overwhelmed with donations, if the time comes when we have more requests than donations, we want to start triaging so that the enlisted troops on the ground. those who really stretch the dollar and feel the pinch, so it gets in their hands first."

Gmail is still in the beta phase and while Google plans to make it public, those plans are not immediate, a Google representative said. A criticism of the service is



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and Kuwait.

Pennsylvania and is regular read-

blogsite, e-mailed the actor to

trade a coveted invitation for

Wheaton's commitment to solicit

others to donate invites for troops

deployed to Afghanistan, Iraq

Wheaton, perhaps best known

for playing Ensign Wesley Crush-

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actor Wil

that its users will be targeted with advertisements based on profiles and e-mail usage and the accounts can become a repository of personal information, to include information about troop lo-

Gmail4troops.com when Drew Olanoff, who works for an Internet consulting firm in

er in the TV series "Star Trek The Next Generation" from 1987 to 1990, agreed, and he was inundated with responses, Mitchell said. Two days later, the two started Gmail4Troops.com and brought in Mitchell to pair donated invitations with troops' re-But the anticipated flood of re-

quests didn't come, she said.

"We have several thousand ac-counts donated, and while we've already given out several hun-dred, we have had difficulty getting the word out to troops,' Mitchell said.

Olanoff said he got the idea from a soldier serving in Afghani stan, who pleaded for an invitation after "thumping" a swap site where people promised to trade goods and services. He thought, heck, troops already were serving their good deeds, and he pitched in to help, he said.

EBay, the online auction site, started selling the in-demand invitations a few months ago, when prices peaked at roughly \$60, an eBay representative said. As the number of Gmail account listings on eBay has increased over the past few months — it's now in the 800s — the listing prices have dropped and now range from 99 cents to \$20 for multiple invita-

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Despite congressional worries, Pentagon denies need for draft

BY LISA BURGESS Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. - Despite lawmakers' concerns that mili-tary forces have been stressed "nearly to the breaking point" by rotations in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Bush administration has no in-

bringing back the draft, senior Pentagon officials told House memhers Wednes-

Reserve soldiers, in partichave heen pushed "nearly to the

breaking point " by rotations to Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Missouri Rep. Ike Skelton, ranking Demo-crat on the House Armed Services Committee, said in a Wednesday hearing about troop rotations.

The United States "has a moral duty to see our duty through in Iraq and Afghanistan," Skelton At the same time, however, U.S. troops "are our most pre cious commodity ... our sons and daughters. They are not pawns on a chessboard.'

"I'm worried," Skelton said. "We're asking very few to exert an enormous sustained effort for the good of all of us.

Skelton characterized as "drastic measures" the steps the Pentagon has taken to man the ongoing

rotations. Those actions have included stop-loss provisions that have prevented deployed soldiers from voluntarily leaving the Army: reneat rotations for many active units, including the 3rd Infantry Division, the 10th Mountain Division and

44 The administration does not support a

resumption of the draft.

David Chu

Undersecretary of Defense for personnel and readiness

the 101st Airborne Division; surprise extensions of already vear-long deployments for the 1st Armored Division and others in Iraq; and most recently, the involuntary call-up of 5.600 members of the Inactive Ready Reserves for the first time since Desert

But David Chu, undersecretary of Defense for personnel and readiness, took issue with Skelton's assertion.

"I would not call these measures a last resort," Chu told the committee members.

As for the IRR call-up, "the fact that it is rare does not mean that it's inappropriate," Chu said.

Moreover, "the administration does not support a resumption of

the draft," Chu told committee

But Rep. Curt Weldon, R-Pa., alleged that Democrats are working to convince voters otherwise in an attempt to influence the outcome of the November presidential election

During Wednesday's hearing, Weldon read from an e-mail he claimed "is being sent nationwide, that he said insists that "Just after the 2004 presidential elections as early as spring 2005 administration

[will] quietly try to get two bills introduced to reinstate the draft. while the public's attention is on the elect

Weldon angrily called the e-mail "political posturing ... to scare college students.

Chu moved quickly to repudiate the e-mail's assertions, saying "there is no secret plan" to reinstate the draft.

The strength of today's U.S. military. Chu said, rests on its all-volunteer nature, and "I cannot see the merit of replacing these fine volunteers with people who don't want to volunteer.

Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld has also repeatedly insisted that he has no intention of reinstating the draft, Chu said.

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Bush picks nominee for Army secretary

BY SCOTT LINDLAW The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A defense industry engineer and execu-tive is President Bush's pick for secretary of the Army.

Rush is to nominate Francis J. Harvey to the post, which has been held for more than a year by a temporary appointee, a seadministration official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the nomination had not been announced.

Harvey would replace Tho mas E. White, who resigned under pressure last year after repeated clashes with Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld.

An earlier nominee, current Air Force Secretary James Roche, withdrew his name from consideration earlier this when the nomination faced opposition in the Senate.

Harvey, a former top executive at Westinghouse Electric Co., held several management and executive positions at Westinghouse, which had an exten sive defense electronics busi-ness, from the 1960s to 1997. He holds a doctorate in metallurgy and material sciences from the University of Pennsylvania and a bachelor's degree in science from the University of Notre Dame.

Les Brownlee has been serv ing as acting Army secretary since White, a former Enron



Corp. executive, resigned in May 2003. White had clashed with Rumsfeld on a number of issues related to Rumsfeld's plans for transforming the military, including the Army's plans for the Crusader artillery system

Rumsfeld canceled the Crusader, saying it was too heavy and cumbersome for the lighter, more agile Army he envi-

In response to questions about his nomination to the Pentagon information post. Harvey told the Senate Armed Services Committee he supports Rumsfeld's vision of a transformed military

Major fined month's pay for bombing Canadians

Reprimand calls AF pilot's excuse of self-defense a lie

BY KEVIN MCGILL The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The lawyer for a U.S. fighter pilot who mistakenly bombed Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan in 2002, killing four, said he might appeal a verdict that got his client a reprimand and cost him a month's wages.

Maj. Harry Schmidt, 38, was found guilty Tuesday of dereliction of duty and was docked nearly \$5,700 in pay.

Nemark (1998) Schmidt "acted shamefully" during the episode, "exhibiting arrogance and a lack of flight discipline," Air Force Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson wrote in the repri-

mand.
Charles Gittins, Schmidt's civilian lawyer, repeated his claim that Schmidt was made a scapegoat for his commanders' poor planning. He said the reprimand amounted to an unfair conviction for murder.

Schmidt, a former instructor at the Navy's "Top Gun" fighter pilot school, had blamed the bombing on the "fog of war," saying he mistook the Canadians' gunfire for an attack by Taliban forces.

He said his superiors never told him the Canadians would be conducting live-fire exercises near Kandahar airport that night. He was originally charged with manslaughter and aggravated assault, but the charges were reduced last year to dereliction of

Carlson said Schmidt had become impatient waiting for permission from air controllers to attack what he believed was Taliban artillery. He was warned to "make sure it's not friendlies" be-

The reprimand said Schmidt should have taken evasive action rather than attack and accused him of lying about his motivation for the bombing, using "the inherent right of self-defense as an excuse to wage your own war."

"If what Gen. Carlson claimed were true — that Harry used self-defense as a pretext and recklessly released ordnance without legal justification — that constitutes unpremeditated murder," Gittins said in a statement.

Gittins also has said an Air Force-issued amphetamine given to pilots to help them stay awake on long missions might have impaired the pilot's judgment. However, Col. Richard Harding, a judge advocate general with the Air Force, said Gittins presented no evidence regarding the pills in last week's hearing.



U.S. Air Force Maj. Harry Schmidt and his wife, Lisa, drive past a security checkpoint last month at Camp Lincoln in Springfield, Ill., for a meeting with officials. Schmidt, a U.S. fighter pilot who mistakenly bombed Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan in 2002, killling four, was found guilty Tuesday of dereliction of duty.

Schmidt's mission commander, Maj. William Umbach, who was in a second F-16, also was charged with assault and manslaughter. Those charges were dismissed last summer, and he was reprimanded for "leadership failures" and allowed to retire.

The case against the two Illinois National Guardsmen has been closely watched in Canada, where many were outraged by the bombing and the two days it took President Bush to publicly apologize.

The four soldiers who died

were the first Canadians killed in combat since the Korean War. Eight others were wounded. Maureen Decaire, mother of

one of the Canadians injured in the bombing, said she understands that Schmidt did not intend to cause harm, but the decision still leaves her unsatisfied.

"I would like to see him accept responsibility, which I don't think has happened." she said from Vinnipeg.

Schmidt was found guilty after a closed, nonjudicial hearing held last week at Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana. The Air Force had announced last month that it would not court-martial Schmidt, he could have gotten up to six months in prison if convicted at a court-martial.

Schmidt remains in the Air National Guard but has agreed never to fly Air Force jets again.

Purported al-Zarqawi tape explains beheading

BY MAGGIE MICHAEL
The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — The kidnappers of U.S. businessmen Nicholas Berg said they refused a ransom and beheaded him to take revenge for what American-led forces had done to Muslims in Iraq and Afghanistan, according to an audiotape issued in the name of the militant leader Abu Musab al-Zaroawi.

The 60-minute tape, which was posted on Islamic Web sites Tuesday, said unidentified people had tried to persuade the kidnappers to spare Berg's life.

"They were ready to give us whatever sums of money we asked ... to save this infide!'s life," said the voice, purportedly that of al-Zarqawi, "but despite our desperate need of money to fund our jihad, we preferred to take revenge for our sisters and our nation."

The voice could not be immediately verified as that of al-Zarqawi, but it sounded like him. The Jordanian militant, whose real name is Ahmad Fadhil Nazzal al-Khalayien, is the most wanted insurgent in Iraq. Allegedly linked to the al-Qaida terror group, he is also wanted by the Jordanian and American authorities. The United States has offered \$25 million for informa-

tion leading to his capture.

His Tawhid and Jihad group claimed responsibility for the beheading of Berg and
South Korean translator Kim Sun-il. It was
also believed to be behind a series of attacks on police and security forces in Iraq
that killed 10p people in the days leading
up to the coalition forces' handover of
power to an Iraqi interim government last

The voice on the tape attacked Islamic clerics for criticizing Berg's killing rather than supporting "Muslims in Iraq, Afghanistan, the Palestinian territories and Indonesia"

Muslim religious leaders condemned Berg's execution as un-Islamic. His decapitated body was found May 8 near a highway overpass in Baghdad.His killers released a videotape, bearing the title "Abu Musab al-Zarqawi shown slaughtering an American," which showed the actual execution.

U.S. intelligence officials have determined "with high probability" that it was al-Zarqawi himself who beheaded Berg based on an analysis of the voice heard on the video, a CIA official has said on condition of anonymity. Al-Dhari, who heads the Islamic Clerics

Committee, the highest Sunni organization in Iraq, has been involved in efforts to secure the release of foreign hostages in Iraq. The audiotape's release followed a series

of U.S. airstrikes on suspected al-Zarqawi safe houses in the city of Fallujah, west of Baghdad. It also follows a debate in the Islamic

It also follows a debate in the Islamic world about the recent execution of hostages taken by militants in Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

An armed vigilante group, calling itself "Salvation Movement," threatened on Tuesday to kill al-Zarqawi for insurgency attacks that have killed Iraqis, making the first internal threat against the Jordanian suilitest.



Abu Musab al-Zargawi

Three Army commanders punished over Iraq drowning

The Associated Press

FORT CARSON, Colo. — The U.S. Army has given nonjudicial punishments to three commanders linked to the drowning of an Iraqi civilian, saying they conspired to impede a homicide investigation.

Capt. Matthew Cunningham, Maj. Robert Gwinner and Lt. Col. Nathan Sassaman were punished this spring under Article 15, which does not require a court proceeding or public record, the Army said Tuesday.

The Army would not disclose the punishments, citing privacy laws, but there was no criminal conviction or prison time.

Last week, the military said three other soldiers based at Fort Carson had been

charged with involuntary manslaughter in the Jan. 3 drowning of 19-year-old Iraqi detainee Zaidoun Fadel Hassoun in the Tigris River.

A fourth soldier is charged with pushing a second man, who survived, into the river.

First Lt. Jack M. Saville, Sgt. 1st Class Tracy E. Perkins, Sgt. Reggie Martinez and Spc. Terry Bowman Jr. face a July 22 hearing.

They are from the 3rd Brigade Combat Team based at Fort Carson.

The military says Saville and Perkins conspired with Sassaman, Gwinner and Cunningham to mislead investigators by denying the Iraqis were shoved into the river. 第3種郵便物認可

Iraq issues new laws to battle insurgents

Security measures mean prime minister can order martial law

BY HAMZA HENDAWI The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - Irag's interim government unveiled new emergency laws Wednesday intended to halt an enduring insurgency, although some Iraqis questioned whether the measures go far enough to restore security to the country.

The laws, announced masked gunmen battled Iraqi and American forces in central Baghdad, grant Prime Minister Iyad Allawi sweeping powers to impose curfews, freeze assets, send security forces to restive regions and impose limited martial

Government officials, however, insist built-in checks will protect Iraqis' human rights and prevent the government from backsliding into dictatorship.

Allawi, a secular Shiite with close CIA links, can invoke his new powers only with the unanimous approval of the Presidential Council made up of the president who is a Sunni Arab, and two vice presidents, a Kurd and a Shiite.

The security law is the first major step by Allawi's govern-ment to make good on its promise to end the insurgency and bomb ings that have killed hundreds of Iraqis over the past 15 months.

"The law ... is really designed to protect lives in Iraq, whether these lives are Iraqis or friends of Iraq who are operating here in Iraq." Allawi said. "We will use the law ... whenever it is necessary to defeat our enemies.

The new measures give Allawi the right to assign curfews to spe cific areas, conduct cordon and search operations, and detain individuals carrying weapons. It also empowers him to freeze suspects' assets and monitor their communications. He also can assign governors, including milileaders, to run specific tary



Interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi speaks out against a rocket attack that injured one person near his house in Baghdad on Wednesday Allawi's government announced a new security law giving itself wider powers to combat militants and stabilize the country.

"Present conditions in Iraq have reached a stage that is impossible to tolerate," Justice Minister Malik Dohan al-Hassan said in announcing the measures.

Less than a mile from the annonncement of the emergency measures, a daylight gunbattle between Iraqi security forces and insurgents raged for hours throughout the streets of central Baghdad. Officials said four people

were killed and 20 injured in the fighting on Haifa street.

U.S. armored personnel carriers moved to the scene of the fighting on the deserted Haifa Street to help the Iraqi forces Two Apache helicopters hovered overhead.

Also Wednesday, four explosions shook another neighborhood near the headquarters of Allawi's political party, wounding

six people, according to an Interior Ministry official. The neighbor-hood hit by the explosions, a stretch of Zeitoun Street in cen tral Baghdad, was also home to one of Allawi's residences. He was not present

tough-talking, British trained physician who returned to Iraq last year after 30 years in exile, the prime minister later issued a statement vowing to destroy those behind such attacks.

"I have faith in Iraq and be lieve that all Iraqis will unite to those foreign criminals who illegally entered our country to halt our progress and development." he said

Police on Wednesday also defused a car loaded with fertilizer. detonator cables, plastic explo sives and artillery shells - 1,650 pounds of explosives — that was parked near a mosque in the Karada neighborhood of Baghdad, police Col. Adnan Hussein

With the violence continuing, some Iragis welcomed the emergency measures, saving the security situation was so tenuous that only strong measures could help.

"This law must be strictly enforced," said Adel Issa, owner of a clothes shop in the upscale Baghdad district of Mansour. Another Baghdad resident, pharmacist Salaheddin Hadi, said he was not worried by that the laws would give Allawi too much power.

"Borrowing Saddam Hussein's big stick for a short period of time is fine if it's for the interest of the people," he said.

Under the laws, Allawi could declare martial law in northern where Kurds have enjoyed de facto autonomy since

the local government, said Human Rights Minister Bakhityar Amin, a Kurd. The Kurds, Washington's most reliable allies in Iraq, hope to maintain their au-

tonomy Senior Kurdish politician Mahmoud Othman said emergency powers by themselves would not solve the country's security woes.

"Force alone does not solve security problems," he said. "Efforts must be made to achieve national reconciliation and grant amnesty to those who

fought the occupiers," he said from his home in London. Allawi's government already is considering such an amnesty. A prominent member of the Association of Muslim Scholars, an

influential Sunni group with links to insurgents, said he would welcome the new laws if they were used to target terrorists killing civilian Iragis, "But we will oppose them if we see them benefiting the American occupiers," said Sheik Abdel-Salam al-Kobeisi.

Whether the laws would prove to be the magic formula that will give Iraqis the one thing they crave most — security — remains to be seen.

Government officials also took pains in announcing the measures to point out the built-in protections of human rights.

"We realize this law might restrict some liberties, but there are a number of guarantees," said al-Hassan, the justice minister.

Allawi would need to get warrants from an Iraqi court every time he wants to invoke provisions of the new laws. Martial law could only be declared for 60 days or for the duration of the specific violence, whichever was

Al-Jazeera shows video of Filipino hostage BY MAAMOUN YOUSSEF The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — The pan-Arab TV channel Al-Jazeera broadcast Wednesday a videotape that purportedly shows armed men holding a Filinino hostage in Iraq whom they threaten to kill

The Al-Jazeera newscaster said the group had vowed to kill the hostage if the Philippines does not withdraw its troops from Iraq within 72 hours.

The newscaster said that on the tape the group claimed to have already killed an Iraqi security man who was accompanying the Filipino. The channel did not broadcast any evidence to support the claim.

In the video, three armed and masked men stood behind the seated hostage. A banner on the wall behind identified the group as the Iraqi Islamic Army
— Khaled bin al-Waleed corps.

The videotape displayed a company identity card for the hostage, which gave his nationality as Filipino and his name as Hafidh Amer. The name suggests he is a Muslim.

The card was a firearm authorization issued by

the Al-Ghadeer Security Service, according to pictures broadcast.

Al-Jazeera's newscaster said Amer is an employee of a Saudi company that works for the U.S. Army. In the video, the hostage wore a bright orange garment similar to that worn by the American hostage

Nick Berg when he was beheaded on a video issued by Iraqi militants led by Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. The group holding the Filipino has not been heard of previously.

The name Khaled bin al-Waleed in its title comes from one of the commanders of the army of Islam's Prophet Muhammad. The Prophet gave bin al-Waleed the title "Sword of Islam.

Al-Jazeera spokesman Jihad Ballout said the channel received the videotape Wednesday. The tape did not say how it kidnapped Amer

The Philippines has deployed 51 soldiers, police officers and health workers to the multinational

In addition, about 4,100 Filipinos are working in U.S. military bases in Iraq as cooks and maintenance technicians.



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IN THE WORLD

Trial opens for six suspects in **Cole bombing**

BY AHMED AL HAD

The Associated Press

SAN'A, Yemen - A security court Wednesday opened the first trial in the bombing of the USS Cole, charging six Yemenis with planning the October 2000 attack claiming they were members of Osama bin Laden's terrorist network

Seventeen American sailors were killed when two suicide bombers in an explosives-laden boat rammed the USS Cole as it refueled in the southern Yemeni port city of Aden. The bombing was blamed on al-Qaida.

Among the six charged in San'a Wednesday was accused master-mind Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri, who is in U.S. custody, but it was unclear where. The other five were in court Wednesday.

Al-Nashiri is accused of planning and funding the attack and training the cell members who carried it out

The United States announced al-Nashiri's arrest in November 2002, saying he had been detained in an undisclosed country and transferred to American custody. Western diplomats later

identified the country as the United Arab Emirates, and Emirates officials confirmed that in December 2002.

U.S. officials believe the Saudi-born al-Nashiri is a close associate of bin Laden. In addition to the Cole attack, he is suspected of helping direct the 1998 homb. ings of U.S. embassies in Kenva and Tanzania. U.S. officials say al-Nashiri gave telephone orders to the Cole bombers from the

An official at the U.S. Embassy Yemen declined to comment on the trial and did not disclose al-Nashiri's whereabouts nor say whether he would be handed over

to Yemeni authorities.

As the oft-delayed trial began. Judge Najib al-Qaderi read a list of charges that included forming an armed gang to carry out crimi-nal acts against the interests of the state: belonging to al-Oaida: resisting authorities and forging documents.

The defendants present re-fused to plead and asked for law-

The judge scheduled a new hearing July 14, saving lawyers should be appointed for Jamal



A Yemeni soldier patrols the perimeter of the central courthouse in San'a, Yemen, on Wednesday. After several delays, the trial of suspects in the October 2000 attack on the USS Cole began amid tight security. Six Yemenis are charged with planning the suicide bombing of the USS Cole that killed 17 U.S. sailors.

al-Badawi, Maamoun Msouh, Fahid al-Qasa, Ali Mohamed Saleh and Mourad al-Sirouri.

Under Yemen's penal code, the accused can be sentenced to death or prison terms ranging from four to 15 years. However, judicial officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said death sentences were unlikely because the six men were not the perpetrators of the attack.

The United States had reported ly resisted an early trial, pressing Yemeni officials to thoroughly investigate the case. Yemen is holding other Cole suspects. It was not clear when other trials would be held.

Judge al-Qaderi said during Wednesday's session that the Cole bombers trained for and planned the attack for three years. He named the two suicide bombers for the first time, Yemenis Ibrahim al-Thawr and Abdullah al-Misawa. He said some members of the cell had met in Afghani-

stan, which had been an al-Oaida stronghold before the war on terror sparked by the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States. Al-Qaderi also said a court state ment would be published in local newspapers summoning al-Nashi

ri to appear. Yemeni officials have said they had asked that U.S. authorities hand al-Nashiri over U.S. diplomats attended the ession

Dozens of police officers and soldiers cordoned the area immediately around the court's building in central San'a while others patrolled near-by streets and watched from roofs of adjacent buildings.

Austrian president dies

VIENNA, Austria - Austrians mourned the death of President Thomas Klestil, whose casket was laid in state Wednesday at the presidential office. He was to be buried with state honors Saturday.

Klestil, 71, died Tuesday of multiple organ failure, just two days before the end of his second six-year term.

Four days of mourning began with Klestil's casket arriving Wednesday at the presidential offi chapel in the Hofburg, the imperial palace in central Vienna where the presidency is based. Klestil was to be laid to rest Saturday in a state funeral at Vienna's Central Cemetery following a requiem Mass at St. Stephen's Cathedral, the Austria Press Agency said.

Mideast nuke concerns

TEL AVIV, Israel - Israel is extremely concerned about Iran's nuclear ambitions, the head of the U.N. atomic watchdog agency said Wednesday. an indication that the issue is preventing any change in Israel's nuclear policy.

"They're expressing concern about Iran," Mohamed ElBaradei, director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency, said after talks with senior officials at Israel's secretive nuclear energy agency.

ElBaradei arrived in Israel on Tuesday to pitch for a Middle East free of nuclear weapons. Israel refuses to discuss its nuclear capacities, but it is thought to be the only state in the Middle East possessing nu-



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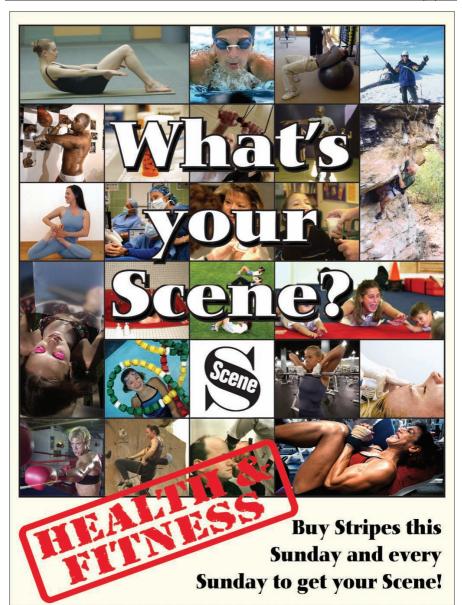
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Americans going to Cuba despite restrictions

Hemingway lure too strong for folks to stay away

BY VANESSA ARRINGTON

The Associated Press

HAVANA - Many tourists in Havana pay tribute to Ernest Hemingway by drinking a frozen daiquiri alongside the life-size bronze statue of the late author at El Floridita restaurant, his onetime watering hole.

But few of them used to drink with the man himself at the restaurant's bar, like Lee Minor, a 90-year-old resident of Fort

"We had drinks together at the bar," said Minor, who spent much of the 1940s and 1950s traveling to Cuba as president of an American electrical company operating here. "He enjoyed friends, enjoyed knowing people.

Decades later. Minor returned to the island with his 60-year-old son for a tour of "Hemingway's Čuba" with a group of American Hemingway fans.

The travelers are among just a sprinkling of American groups still coming to Cuba after tough new U.S. restrictions against travel to the island took effect June

Organizers of the group said the travelers came to Cuba, via Mexico, on a humanitarian license. They brought bags of clothing, medicine and school supplies to give to Cubans they meet on their weeklong trip, which ends Sunday.

Other groups come in direct defiance of the U.S. measures.

Brigada Venceremos, a group of American activists, arrived via Canada earlier this week to the eastern city of Santiago, telling reporters they came in solidarity with Cubans and in protest of U.S. policy against the communist-run island.

The new U.S. rules are meant to squeeze the island's economy and push out President Fidel Castro by cutting the amount of cash coming in from the United States and limiting visits to Cuba by cultural and aca-



American David Martens, right, speaks with Cuban Jose Rodriguez, center, and Oscar Blas Fernandez during his visit in early July to American writer Ernest Hemingway's home in Cuba. Rodriguez and Fernandez played ball with Hemingway and his children.

demic groups, as well as Cuban-Ameri-

On Tuesday, the Hemingway group visited the rambling hacienda of Finca Vigia just east of Havana where the author lived from 1939 to 1960, a year before he committed suicide in Ketchum, Idaho.

They toured the inside of Hemingway's home, preserved much as he left it and filled with thousands of books by authors including Fyodor Dostoyevsky, J.D. Salinger and himself. Posters of Spanish bullfights and stuffed animal heads cover the walls, and a leopard animal skin stretches across a wide couch in front of Hemingway's massive mahogany desk

Anti-dandruff rinse still sits next to the

sink in the bathroom, where Hemingway penciled in his weight - which dropped from about 240 pounds to 190 pounds over

five years — on the wall next to the scale.

The group stopped to listen to a group of Cuban men in their 70s who recounted tales of playing baseball as children on Hemingway's hacienda. They were allowed to run all around the grounds and

eat as much fruit as they wanted.

"We were just poor kids, but he never discriminated against us," said 74-year-old Oscar Blas Fernandez, who was 10 when he first met Hemingway. "We never asked for anything, he just gave to us spontane-ously. He treated us like his own children."

Indeed, "he was like a second father to all of us." said Jose Rodriguez, 76, another of the former baseball players.

Church group goes to island

BY LYNN BREZOSKY The Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Texas - Old school buses emblazoned with pro-Cuba slo-gans were assembled at the U.S.-Mexico border for the 14th annual delivery of goods to the communist island in defiance of the U.S embargo.

Pastors for Peace this year filled nine buses with donations including medical, sports and office equipment gathered by church and other groups in 127 cities. The buses were to cross the Mexican border Wednesday

More than 100 volunteers from around the nation and several foreign countries planned to ride in the caravan from the border to Tampico, Mexico, where they will load the goods, including the buses, onto boats bound for Cuba. The volunteers planned to fly to Cuba to help church groups there distribute the aid.

The U.S. embargo with Cuba is now in its fourth decade. President Bush last week imposed tough new U.S. restrictions against travel to the island

"It's a policy that has no redeeming value," said the Rev. Lucias Walker, a New Jersey pastor who founded Pas-tors for Peace, "What we're doing is an act of civil obedience to a higher power that says you should love your neigh-

The group violates the embargo by refusing to apply for documentation to export to Cuba and by using Mexico to bynass ITS restrictions to Cuba

The group's inaugural "Friendship Caravan" in 1992 drew attention when news cameras filmed federal border officials trying to wrest a load of Bibles from a Catholic priest.

No major injuries in latest bull run

By ALBERTO LETONA

The Associated Press

PAMPLONA, Spain - Several people were trampled but not seriously hurt Wednesday as thousands took part in the first bull run of the San Fermin festival, dashing along the slippery cobblestone streets of this ancient city in northern Spain. "Running ahead of bulls is life and I wanted to feel

alive," said Ray Sabbatini, 36, of Wisconsin, who suffers from multiple sclerosis and was accompanied by his friend Dennis Rodman, the retired National Basketball League star. None of the runners was gored, and only four inju-

ries were serious enough to require treatment. Two bulls skidded and fell, as did some runners after a night of rain left the streets slick

"So far there aren't serious injuries, but there's a lot of people with little experience and we have a lot of work," said Mikel Eusa of the Red Cross

Policeman Jose Ramon said he prevented two Australians from taking part out of concern for their safety: "They had a lot to drink, and I didn't let them bv.

For all the hype, the actual run is just 900 yards and lasts little more than two minutes from the starting corral to the finish in the bull ring.

But for many of the thousands of tourists from all over the world, it's the sprint of their lives



A runner touches one of the steers as he keeps ahead of a fighting bull during the first San Fermin bull run Wednesday in Pamplona, Spain.

One pub blows smoke at Irish tobacco ban

By SHAWN POGATCHNIK The Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ireland - A lone Galway pub has thrown down the gauntlet to the Irish government over its 3-month-old ban on workplace smoking - by inviting customers to rebel and light up.
"We're taking a stand," de-clared Ciaran Levanzin, co-

owner of the Fibber Magee's pub in the central Eyre Square of Galway, where ashtrays returned to tables Tuesday and customers were encouraged to puff away.

It marked the first deliberate effort by any of Ireland's more than 10,000 pubs to defy the ban. The measure has been almost universally observed - and, in a country where 70 percent of adults do not smoke, broadly popular -since its March 29 introduction.

However, Fibber Magee's rebellion proved hugely popular in Galway, a bustling university city famed for its night life.

As RTE, Ireland's state broadcasters, reported live outside the pub Tuesday night that the place

was "absolutely crammed with drinkers and smokers," a huge roar of approval could be heard om the crowd inside watching the news.

Levanzin said he had already been obliged to lay off a third of his workers since the ban came into force. He said more than half of the pub's previous customers

had been smokers. "Why do this? Because we're going out of business. We might as well go out with a puff of smoke," he said.

Health Minister Micheal Martin led the push for the ban, arguing that anybody employed in enclosed workplaces should not be exposed to cancer-causing smoke. The move was modeled on similar measures imposed in California, New York City and other U.S. cities.

Inspectors from the government-appointed Western Health Board stopped by Fibber Magee's and warned the pub's other co-owner, Ronan Lawless, they could face a \$3,700 fine and, eventually, the loss of their liquor liJ

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At Shish, a trendy restaurant in North London, diners get the opportunity to learn if they are descended from rampaging Mongol leader Genghis Khan and win a free meal if they are.

Searching for the kin of Khan

London restaurant offers DNA test for link to Mongol leader

BY JILL LAWLESS

LONDON — A London restaurant is offering diners the chance to learn whether they are descended from the rampaging Mongol ruler Genghis Khan —

and win a free meal if they are.
The promotion by the restaurant Shish has proved surprisingly popular, exemplifying how
Genghis Khan, once reviled in the
West as a tyrant, has gained new
respect in his own country and
among academics.

"We've had Mongolian people who've traveled across London to give us their details," said Hugo Malik, bar manager of Shish, which is giving away one DNA test at each of its two London branches every day through Friday. "They said, 'Grandad always used to tell us we were descended from Genghis Khan."

Grandad may have been right.

Oxford Ancestors, the firm doing
the testing, says 16 million to 17
million men in Central Asia share
a pattern of Y chromosomes within their genetic sequences that indicates probable descent from
Genghis Khan, who conquered
vast tracts of Asia and Europe in
the 12th and 13th centuries and
sired many offsorine.

"He was an all-conquering tribal leader," said David Ashworth, a geneticist who is Oxford Ancestors' chief executive. "He took their cities, he took their land, he took their women."

Lacking any tissue samples from Genghis Khan, the tests are based on an assessment of probabilities.

The tests are part of the burgeoning field of bioarchaeology, which uses biological techniques to learn about our ancient ancestors. Founded four years ago by Oxford University geneticist Byran Sykes, Oxford Ancestors of fers DNA testing to people around the world eager to trace their genetic roots.

Sykes believes DNA can be

used to map humanity's common ancestry. In 1994, he extracted DNA from the Iceman, a frozen 5,000-year-old corpse found in the Tyrolean Alps, and identified a woman living in Britain as his descendant.

Sykes' 2001 book "The Seven Daughters of Eve" claimed that 95 percent of Europeans are deseended from seven tribal matriarchs — he dubbed them Ursula, Xenia, Helena, Velda, Tara, Katrine and Jasmine — who lived between 10.000 and 45.000 vears

ago.

For \$330, Oxford Ancestors will tell customers which maternal clan they belong to. The Genghis Khan test is part of a plan to do the same for paternal ancestry by mapping patterns of Y chromosomes, the genetic material handed down from fathers to sons that changes little over generations.

Women have two X chromosomes, while men carry one X chromosome and one Y — so only men can take the Genghis Khan

"At certain markers on the Y chromosome, if it matches the Genghis Khan pattern, then on the balance of probability you are descended from the Great Khan," Ashworth said.

Ashworth said. Shish, a trendy diner specializing in grilled kebabs inspired by the cooking of Central Asia and the Middle East, says it is offering the tests in honor of the Mongolian government's decision to reintroduce surnames.

In the 1990s, Mongolia's newly democratic government decided to reverse the policy of 70 years of communist government, which banned surnames in an attempt to break the power of feudal

By the end-of-June deadline for registering surnames, more than half the population had chosen the name Borijejn, or Master of the Blue Wolf — Genghis Khan's clan name. It was latest step in the remarkable rehabilitation of the Mongol ruler.

Reviled in the west as a bloodthirsty conqueror and condemned in communist Mongolia as a symbol of a backward past, Genghis Khan is now celebrated by Mongolians as the father of their nation.

Many Western academics also have reassessed Genghis Khani's legacy, recasting him as a brilliant military tactician, innovative ruler and early globalizer whose empire, at one point stretching from the Sea of Japan to the Danube, saw an unprecedented mingling of goods and cultures along the Silk Road trade route linking China to Europe A

Report: Kim Jong II brings hamburgers to isolated nation

The Associated Pres

Kim Jong II has introduced hamburgers to his reclusive, communist country in a campaign to provide "quality" food to university students, media reported Wednesday.

The hamburgers were introduced in 2000 and dubbed "gogigycopbbang," Korean for "double bread with meat," according to the June 29 edition of the North Korean state-run newspaper Minju Joson. The report was carried by South Korea's Yonhap news agency on Wednesday. Although reports from the iso-

lated country have in recent years mentioned the introduction of the American fast food classic, the latest announcement seems to credit the country's leader for their advent.

The news marks a curious development for North Korea, where U.S. consumerism is routinely reviled in the official media and people refer to the soft drink Coca Cola as the "cesspool water of American capitalism."

Wednesday's report cites leader Kim Jong II as saying at theme of the hamburger's introduction: "Tve made up my mind to feed quality bread and french fries to university students, professors and researchers even if we are in [economic] hardship."

The government then built a hamburger plant and Kim Jong II ordered officials to pay close attention to modernizing mass production, the report was quoted as saving by Yonhan.

Hamburgers from the factory were first provided only to students at the elite Kim II Sung University in Pyongyang, but were later provided to other schools, the daily said

Hamburgers are now familiar to many North Koreans, it added.

N. Korea honors founder 10 years after his death

BY SANG-HUN CHOE The Associated Press

SEOUL — Masses of solemm-faced North Koreans gathered near a 60-foot bronze statue of late President Kim II Sung to mark the 10th anniversary of his death and pay respect to the man who forged the world's only communist dynasty.

Kim died 10 years ago Thursday, after ruling the country he founded for half a century. In the run-up to the anniversary, the hardline regime now led by Kim's son, Kim Jong II, has organized rallies and seminars to boost the personality cult that underpins Pyongyang's rule.

On Wednesday, South Korea's all-news cable channel YTN showed North Korean television footage of people clad in dark gray filing toward the Kim II Sung statue that overlooks Pyongyang from a nearby hilltop.

Since Kim's death, more than 104.6 million people have visited the statue, said KCNA, the North's official news agency.

The North Korean footage showed soldiers and students gathering in auditoriums under red-and-white banners that said "President Kim II Sung will be with us forever!" They vowed to remain loyal to Kim's son.

The junior Kim commands loyalty from his impoverished 22 million people while engaging in cautious experiments with capitalist reforms to rebuild the shattered economy he inherited from his father.

Isolated from the West, however, North Korea's economy is unlikely to get a jump-start until it negotiates an agreement with the United States and its allies to end its nuclear weapons programs.





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Kerry, Edwards unite on the campaign trail

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND - An upbeat John Kerry campaigned for the first time with running mate John Edwards on Wednesday and boasted that the Democratic team has a "better vision, better ideas" than its Republican counterpart — and joked, "we've got

One day after Kerry chose Edwards as the vice presidential candidate, the two senators offered glowing critiques of each other at a downtown plaza in Ohio, a critical battleground state.

Introducing Edwards in Cleveland, the first city to get electricity, Kerry welcomed "a different kind of electricity called John Edwards." The Massachusetts senator called his running mate a man with "passion, conviction and strength

"He represents the best of the hope of our country, the best of opportunity," Kerry said

Kerry also poked fun at himself as well as his running mate for something the two often are teased about. "We've got better vision, better ideas, real plans. We've got a better sense of what's happening to America - and we've got better hair," Kerry said, laughing

In turn, Edwards praised Kerry for showing "strength and courage and determination" during the Democratic primary. "And the truth is, it's the same strength, courage and leadership that he showed his whole life," he said.



Democratic Presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., hugs his newly selected running mate Sen. John Edwards, D-NC, in Cleveland, Ohio, on Wednesday during their first rally since Edwards' selection.

Kerry and Edwards sought to dispel any notion of ill-will from the primary campaign by embracing and laughing together like old friends. The two both millionaires — promised that together they would fight for the middle class. And, they criticized President Bush

Bush says Edwards can't match Cheney

BY PETE YOST The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - President Bush on Wednesday curtly dismissed Democratic Sen. John Edwards' political skills and evperience as a rival to his vice president, telling reporters "Dick Cheney can be president.

Bush, campaigning in Ed-wards' home state of North Carolina, said he was unconcerned about the potential of Edwards to help carry states in the South the backbone of Bush's political support.

"When they go to the polls to vote for president, they'll understand the senator from Massa chusetts doesn't share their val-ues," Bush said. "I'm going to carry the South because the people understand that they share

- we share values. When a reporter noted that Edwards was being described as "charming, engaging, a nim ble campaigner, a populist and even sexy" and then asked "How does he stack up against Dick Cheney?" the president immediately responded, "Dick Cheney can be president.

After Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry selected Edwards as his running mate Tuesday, the Bush campaign and the Republican Party imme diately began criticizing Ed-wards' level of experience. He is serving his first term as a North Carolina senator, his only elective office after a 20-year career as a trial lawyer.

wards and other Senate Democrats are obstructing the work of the federal judiciary by refusing to fill judgeships around the country, resulting in backlogs of unresolved cases that languish for years in the federal courts.

Bush said earlier that Ed-

"You're being hung out by a handful of United States senators." Bush said he told three of his judicial nominees in a private meeting in North Carolina, where polls show the ticket of Bush and Cheney even with Kerry and Edwards.

Edwards refused to allow two of the three nominees the president met with to have confirmation hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee, the presi-dent told reporters after the meeting.

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Portland archdiocese to file bankruptcy

BY RUKMINI CALLIMACHI
The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Being molested by a priest left James Devereaux with nobody to confess to. What he could not find at the confessional as a boy, Devereaux hoped he would find in

court as a man.

But just as Devereaux and his lawyer were preparing to sue the late Rev. Maurice Grammond, the Portland Archdiocese announced Tuesday it was filing for bankruptcy.

The archdiocese took action because of the steep costs from clergy sex abuse lawsuits, halting the trial of a lawsuit against Grammond, accused of sexually abusing more than 50 boys in the 1980s

Devereaux said he would per-

severe despite the Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing, an unprecedented step that could open the Roman Catholic archdiocese to new levels of court scrutiny.

"We will continue our fight to finally get the archdiocese to accept the sin of its crimes," said Devereaux, a 52-year-old rancher who said he was raped repeatedly by Grammond beginning in 1964 in the southern Oregon logsing town of Oakridge.

"I had been taught as a child that God is Almighty," he said, "and the priest is his representa-

No other American diocese has filed for bankruptcy, though Boston threatened to do so at the height of the abuse crisis that erupted there two years ago. The Diocese of Tucson, Ariz., has said it will decide whether to seek court protection before an abuse trial there in Sentember.

Plaintiffs in the two lawsuits involving Grammond have sought a total of more than \$160

The archdiocese and its insurers already have paid more than \$53 million to settle more than 130 claims dating to 1950 by people who say they were abused by priests. Most of those lawsuits have been filed since 1999.

The bankruptcy filing includes claims against the diocese from 20 pending priest abuse lawsuits, ranging in amounts from \$5.1 million to \$135 million. It also includes what appears to be a \$22.3 million bank loan.

The filing did not include a list

of the archdiocese's as which will be filed later.

Bud Bunce, spokesman for the 356,000-member archdiocese, said church operations will continue as usual.

"All the parishes will continue with their regular services," Bunce said. "For the most part we anticipate the normal, everyday types of activities we do will continue."

Chapter 11 bankruptcy frees an organization from the threat of creditors' lawsuits while it reorganizes. However, it also could open church records to public scrutiny, and could require church leaders to cede some financial control to the courts.

Archbishop John G. Vlazny said the archdiocese tried to settle with the plaintiffs, but could not afford their offer.

Democrats attack Medicare report

BY MARK SHERMAN The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Democrats say an internal Bush administration investigation into the new Medicare law confirms there was a coordinated effort to keep its true costs

from Congress and the public. The Health and Human Services Department inspector general said in a report reeased Tuesday that administration officials broke no laws in withholding the cost estimates from Congress. But the report described the aggressive tactics that were used to keep lawmakers from learning that the administration had estimates of the legislation's cost that were \$100 billion more than the president and other officials were acknowledging.

Thomas Scully, the administration's Medicare chief until December, threatened to fire chief Medicare actuary Richard Foster to prevent him from giving information to law-makers. Scully, then the administrator of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid by to determine the flow of information to Congress," the unsigned report said.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said Tuesday: "The IG's report describes the extraordinary deception of Bush administration officials to cover up the true costs of the Medicare bill. What they did was clearly wrong by any defi-

nition."
Other Democrats said the inspector general's inquiry was narrowly tailored, underscoring the need for an independent investigation that also looks at what role the White House may have played in the suppression of information.
"It sounds as though the

"It sounds as though the Bush administration examined itself and found it did nothing wrong," said Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., senior Democrat on the House Ways and Means health subcommit-

tee.
That inspector general's conclusion contradicted the findings of the nonpartisan Congressional Research Service, which said in May that threats against Foster designed to keep him from giving Democratic lawmakers his projections of the bill's cost probably broke the law. The Justice Department, in an opinion at tached to Tuesday's report, said CRS was wrong.

Despite the reaction from Democrats, the administration said the report should be the end of the matter. That seemed unlikely since the General Accounting Office, Congress' investigative arm, also is looking into whether the gag order on Foster violated federal law.

Student stumps Jeb Bush with geometry question

BY MIKE SCHNEIDER The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Gov. Jeb Bush had come to pitch the virtues of reading, but instead got stumped on a math question Tuesday.

During a speech to high school students who mentor younger children in reading, a teenager asked the governor a basic geometry question taken from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test, which Bush has championed.

"Me and a couple of my friends ... we know that the FCAT is a very important part of schooling in Florida and we were wondering if you could answer one of the questions?" asked Luana Marques, 18, who just graduated from Freedom High School in Orange County and is heading to Flagler College in the fall. The luncheon crowd at an Orlando hotel, gathered to honor 200 students who take part in the Teen Trendsetters Reading Mentor program, laughed and Marques posed the question: "What are the angles on a three-four-five-triangle?"

The governor gave a steely grin and then stalled a bit. "The angles would be ... If I was going to guess ... Three-four-five.

Three-four-five. I don't know, 125, 90 and whatever remains on 180?"

Marques had an answer, although it wasn't exactly the right one: "It's 30-60-90."

The correct answer was 90 degrees, 53.1 degrees and 36.9 degrees, said Michelle Taylor, a graduate student in mathematics at the University of Florida, when told about the governor's pop quiz.

Bush thanked Marques and then launched into a defense of the FCAT test, which every Florida public high school student must pass



Florida Gov. Jeb Bush smiles as he listens to student Luana Marques, 18, ask him a geometry question Tuesday during the third annual reading summit in Orlando, Fla.

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"The fact that a 51-year-old man can't answer a question, is really not relevant," Bush said. "You're still going to have to take the FCAT and you're still going to have to pass it in order to get a high school degree."

9/11 panel sticks with limited al-Qaida-Iraq links

BY HOPE YEN

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Sept. 11 commission is standing by its finding that al-Qaida had only limited contact with Iraq before the terrorist attacks.

The 10-member, bipartisan panel issued a one-sentence statement Tuesday saying it had access to the same information as Vice President Dick Cheney, who suggested strong ties between ousted Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida.

That assertion was one of the justifications the Bush administration gave for going to war with Iraq. In a preliminary report released last month, the Sept. 11 commission cited contacts between Saddam's regime and Osama bin Laden but said there was no "collaborative relationship."

In an interview with CNBC, Cheney had said there "probably" was information about Iraq's links to terrorists that the commission members did not learn during their 14-month investigation. The commission statement Tuesday disputed that.

"After examining available transcripts of the vice president's public remarks, the 9/11

commission believes it has access to the same information the vice president has seen regarding contacts between al-Qaida and Iraq prior to the 9/11 attacks," the commission said.

The commission's vice chairman, former Democratic Rep. Lee Hamilton of Indiana, said on ABC's "This Week" that the panel "asked the vice president if he had information we did not have."

"Obviously, if there is some information, we need it" he said

president for additional information.

But Cheney's spokesman, Kevin Kellems, denied that the commission asked the vice

Since no information was provided, the panel wished to make clear that after some double-checking it was basing its findings on the same intelligence and material that Cheney had, Democratic commissioner Timothy Roemer said in an interview.

"Our position is firm, unchanged and committed to our previous finding," said Roemer, a former congressman from Indiana. "We have not discovered collaboration-cooperation between al-Qaida and Iraq in general terrorist activities across the world, against the United States." Kellums, however, said the vice president was satisfied the panel had all relevant information to make an accurate determination. Cheney's main concern was about some media reports suggesting that al-Qaida and Iraq had no ties whatsoever, he said.

"We are pleased with today's statement from the 9/11 commission, which puts to rest a non-story," Kellems said. "As we have said all along, the administration has provided the commission with unprecedented access to sensitive information so they can perform their mission"

Kellems added that Cheney "did not criticize the commission's work" and said, "We look forward to reading the commission's final report."

The commission, which faces a July 26 deadline to issue its final report, is winding down its 1½ year investigation into what went wrong and why.

Commissioners already have submitted substantial portions of the report to the White House for review and are meeting this week to hash out recommendations into how to prevent future attacks.

Proposals under consideration include creating a domestic intelligence agency modeled after Britain's MI5.

YOUR MONEY

People retired, debt isn't Correcting tire

Many members of 'frugal generation' in the red

BY EILEEN ALT POWELL

The Associated Press

- America's seniors, who weathered the Great Depression or grew up in its shadow, have a reputation for frugality and saving. Of all generations, this was the one that got it right by pinching pennies, avoiding credit and putting money away for retire-ment and to pass on to their children.

Yet an increasing number of older Americans find themselves deep in credit card debt or even filing for bankruptcy — troubles more associated with their

baby boomer children and their grandchildren. The reasons vary, but experts say some retirees are overwhelmed by rising medical expenses or find that Social Security and their pensions don't stretch far enough. Those who lost jobs before they were ready to

retire never quite caught up.
Stuart D. Zimring, president of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, said he's seeing more older couples who get into financial problems because "cash flow is not keeping pace with the cost of living And because seniors are proud and protective of

their independence, they often try to hide their financial distress from their families. "In most cases, the kids don't know what's happen-

ing until the crisis occurs," said Zimring, whose prac-tice is in North Hollywood, Calif. A study by Demos, a New York-based think tank, found that seniors over age 65 were carrying an average of \$4,041 in credit card debt in 2001, nearly double the amount reported by seniors 10 years earlier.

The Demos analysis of Federal Reserve data also found that the newly retired - those 65 to 69 - were carrying nearly \$6,000 on their cards, triple the level

Tamara Draut, director of the economic opportuni-program at Demos, blames "weakening of the ty program at Demos, blames Hree-legged stool" that elders are supposed to rely on
 Social Security, pensions and private savings.
 And seniors also have succumbed to the siren song

of easy credit. That's what Dale Gravelle, a 67-year-old nurse from Attleboro, Mass., says hapnened to her

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Dale Gravelle of Attleboro, Mass., holds credit card statements on which she carries a balance this month. Gravelle is working with a debt-consolidation firm.

Gravelle said she used to pay cash for everything but then started using credit cards.

"I had too many cards, and I got in deeper than I thought," she said. "I kept paying, but the interest was so much. I just got overwhelmed.

After creditors started calling her two or three times a week, she went to a nonprofit counseling agencv. Consolidated Credit Counseling Services Inc. of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., to form a debt-payment plan.

"I would advise people, especially if you're older and even if you're still capable of working — not to rely on credit," Gravelle said. "Relay on good, old-fashioned cash and maybe a debit card for some

Howard Dvorkin, president of Consolidated Credit, said he's seeing an increasing number of seniors with debt problems "They're trying to live within their means," he said

"But Social Security isn't cutting it for most folks. "For a lot of them, it's an issue of pride," he said "They think, 'I got myself into this and I'm going to get myself out of this.' They're fighting not to die in

advice in a Jiffy

Dear Tom and Ray: It happened again! I get my oil changed at Jiffy Lube, and they inflate my tires to just under the maximum pressure indicated on the tire (42 psi, max 44). I tell them that's wrong, that you should go by the driver's-door placard (28 psi), and the bozo argues with me! Then he says it's Jiffy Lube policy, and I'm starting to think it might be, given my experience. I've seen this

Click and Clack

Tom and Ray Magliozzi ent guys at two different Jiffy Lube outlets about this. I'm thinking I should call "60 Minutes" and get Mike Wallace on this, but I thought I'd try you guys first. Apparently there's a huge amount of ig-

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norance out there about tires. RAY: There certainly is a lot of confusion about proper tire inflation, Ken. So we called Alan Greenspan, the nation's

foremost authority on inflation. TOM: But he just issued some murky parables and told us to get lost. So, we'll have to clear this un ourselves

RAY: "Maximum" and "recommended" tire pressure are two different things. Maximum is the greatest amount of pres sure the tire can safely hold, before it's in danger of exploding. That's the number you should never, ever exceed, no matter

TOM: "Recommended" tire pressure (which is usually listed on a placard on the driver's doorjamb, or on the glove-compartment door) is what the manufacturer says is the best pressure for all of your normal driving. That's the number to use when inflating your tires.

RAY: Take sleep as an analogy. What's the maximum num-ber of hours you can sleep? Who knows? Maybe it's 12 or 18 hours. For my teenage son, it could be days. But the recommended amount of sleep is more like eight hours. That's a more meaningful number if you want advice on how much sleep to

TOM: If you inflate your tires to or near the maximum - as this bozo did - vou can really wreak havoc

on the car's handling and braking, particularly ticularly in wet weather. It's a serious safety

issue. You'll also cause the tires to wear improperly. RAY: And worst of all, you'll

be tying up the emergency room. When the tires are overinflated, the vehicle really bounces around, leading the driver and passengers to get welts on their heads from hitting the ceil-

TOM: And this is not Jiffy Lube policy, Ken. We called the company to confirm that. Jiffy Lube stores are run by independent franchisees, so it's not easy for the folks at corporate headquarters to police each and every bozo who owns a store. This guy clearly made up the "Jiffy Lube policy" line to get rid of you. And maybe the same guy owns several franchises in your area, which is why you keep running into this.

RAY: Show him this column, Ken. Let's hope he gets the message before he causes someone to have an accident. Or another

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ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

Keep vacation property

Long a symbol of middle-class success, second homes have become almost unattainable for many younger people as real estate prices have soared. As a result, many older summer home owners have found themselves hosting the extended families of their adult children

Often the setting of fond memories, a modest mountain cabin, a rustic lakeside retreat or a tiny house by the sea can quickly become a source of friction when the original owners die or become too sick to enjoy them.

The best way to avoid conflict, experts say, is for families to communicate clearly about the property's future while the original owners are alive and healthy.

"The whole uphill battle is to get people to deal with these taboo issues when they can rath-er than when they have to," said Steven Hendlin, a psychologist and author of the book, "Overcoming the Inheritance Taboo.

Rather than try to address the matter by phone, e-mail or fax, Hendlin and others suggest you hold a family meeting. Ideally, the conversation can serve as a jumping off point for a more gen-eral discussion about inheritance.

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Bush followed ground rules

I'd like to respond to the June 30 letter "Bush actions parallel enemies" by James Carrethers, who opined that President just as evil as Saddam Hussein, Adolf Hitler, Josef Stalin, etc. and the June 30 letter "Support what is right" by Erin Tomkins, whose comment was that Presi dent Bush was not chosen by the American people. I'd like to make some noints based on what is outlined in the U.S. Constitution. Ms. Tomkins said that it was "only" the Electoral College that voted for Bush, but the popular vote belonged to Mr. Gore. And so it is implied that President Bush was not truly elected, not truly chosen by the American people. Voting procedures, including the establishment of the Electoral College, are clearly detailed in Article II of the Constitution. This is the method by which Americans have chosen presidents since 1783.

Ms Tomkins also said: "Rush's Cabinet members, who are making military decisions, are not elected, but appointed by the president." That is part of what the presidency entails, ever since 1783. Article II states that public ministers, judges, consuls, ambassadors and Supreme Court jus-tices are appointed "with the advice and consent of the Senate" by the president. Yet another check and balance to prevent one person from obtaining too much power. And even though the president appoints judges, the judicial branch does not always agree with the administration when making decisions. This is the case concerning how the Bush administration is detaining terrorism suspects indefinitely. A truly evil leader would send thugs into the court and have all the judges who disagree with his policies killed on the spot.

Mr. Carrethers stated that President Bush was an evil leader, like Hitler, be cause he launched a hostile invasion and occupation of another nation. I'd like to remind readers that although the president as commander in chief has a variety of war powers. Congress provides the check and balance. The legislative branch voted on the budget that paid for this war in Iraq, as with funding for all military operations That way, the president cannot simply wake up and decide to go to war. This also has been the case ever since 1783

President Clinton sent us into Kosovo. Somalia, Haiti and Rwanda. Were we pro voked? No, we went to those nations to establish justice, to promote general welfare. We acted upon what we believe just as Tomkins suggested. Someh knew that genocide is an evil thing and that we, having the power to act, should Somehow we concluded that supporting Haiti's transition to democratic government was good.

When Congress refused to authorize the use of force, Mr. Clinton argued that as commander in chief, he had constitutional executive power to send in troops, occupy nations and change regimes, even when we were unprovoked. I wonder if Mr. Carrethers thought that was a great evil unnaralleled since Stalin or Kim Il Sung. I wonder if Mr. Carrethers is relieved now that

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we have transferred power to the Iraqis. If not, I wonder if he is as concerned about our continued presence in Kosovo as he is about our "hostile invasion" of Iraq

I wonder if he has checked history to see how many governments have occupied nations and then returned sovereignty to the people of those nations. I wonder if he has considered the difference between how the United States handled the invasion and occupation of Nazi Germany as opposed to the response by the Soviet Union under Stalin. East Germany spent more than 40 years under communist rule. West Germany was given full sovereignty after 10 years. Iraq spent less than a year and a half under U.S. administration. Is that evil leadership at work?

Finally, I am trying to make my argument against the opinions of Ms. Tomkins and Mr. Carrethers, and not them personally. I wonder if Mr. Carrethers would, in the course of his goal to see a new president elected, practice that same consideration toward our current president

David M. Williamson Kadena Air Base, Okinawa

Don't sell young GIs short

I am writing in response to the July 1 letter "GIs Need More Information." outraged to have someone living in Sacramento, Calif., say that he doesn't "blame young soldiers for their distorted views of politics back home." Based upon his letter, he obviously doesn't know the young soldiers of today.

Like the letter writer, I am a veteran. I am now "serving" as a Navy spouse living in Japan. My husband is forward deployed and our family sacrifices daily. Additional ly, I am the daughter of a Marine (always a Marine and he served for 30 years) and the sister of an active-duty Marine. Living overseas, I listen and depend upon Ameri can Forces Network radio for my news. I have military friends all over the world and family in Iraq. To say that my friends and family have a distorted view of politics

back home is insulting, especially coming from someone sitting comfortably in his living room in California

In a further reach, the letter writer asserts that Rush Limbaugh is the cause of our "distorted views." As an AFN listener, I assure the letter writer that we receive plenty of media bias from the left. Although Rush Limbaugh is broadcast here, it is only from 5 a.m. until 6 a.m. — not exactly "prime time" on our radio. The rest of the day includes a multitude of music and news programs. I assure the letter writer, we hear more of National Public Radio than of Rush. On the hour, there is a brief news update from AP Network News or CBS Radio or some other left-of-center broadcasting corporation.

I do not belittle the service of the letter writer, but I wonder what perspective he has on today's servicemembers. To write that our views are distorted shows that he has no respect for today's military. AFN does a good job giving us a wide choice of programming. We, as individuals, can listen or not listen as we choose. I cannot help but think that he has some further political agenda to use and belittle soldiers in an attempt to attack a conservative talk-show host. J.P. Creed

Sasebo, Japan

Uneasy feeling is back

I grew up in the 1960s and '70s. Every evening while our family ate supper together, we would watch and listen to the daily news about Vietnam. Years later, after the war ended and I was an adult with some perspective on it, the recurring thought I had was "so many lives sacrificed and for what?" It wasn't like the previous world wars when so much was at stake, here and ahmad

Now we are in Iraq, and again I watch the news reports of the casualties of that conflict. I am angry to know that again American lives are being sacrificed. Only the future will reveal if it was worth it. But I am writing to say God bless you - to the servicemen and women who are putting their lives on the line, and their families.

I thank them for their willingness to do it. I mourn for each life that is lost and pray for the safe return of all the rest. They are my heroes.

Elaine Entrekin Leesburg, Ga.

Reservist: Serve with pride

I wanted to let the writer of the June 23 letter 'Activist' or 'reservist'?" know that he should be honored to be called a reservist, and I see nothing wrong with it. If he had done his research, he would know the dictionary definition:

Reservist: A person who is trained as a soldier and is ready to fight in the Army if needed

Reserve: When you keep something or a supply of something until needed, or a supply that you keep.
Also, I think our reservist partners are

doing an outstanding job over here in Iraq. Sgt. 1st Class Norman C. Harris Baghdad

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury









OPINION

Election is serious; 'Fahrenheit 9/11' is not

Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11" for the same reason I chose not to see Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ



I just don't trust Hollyideo _ left or right — to deal honestly fairly with politics or religion.

From what I have read and heard from friends who have seen the film,

"Fahrenheit 9/11" is more than a box office sensation. It is a major nolitical event. The U.S. Senate delayed a defense appropriation vote so Democrats could attend a special screening of Moore's propaganda masterniece. The audience of big-name Democrats gave it a standing ovation. The film is not likely to change many votes but it does provide people who hate the president another way to express their almost pathological loathing of George W. Bush. In Moore's fabulist "documenta-

ry." Bush comes across as dumb as a stump, as a liar and unprincipled schemer who led the nation to war to enrich his corporate cronies. Audiences laugh, applaud, scoff and hoot. As Dick Chenev said after hurling the F-word at Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy, getting it out of

your system makes you feel better. Hev, that's OK by me. Remember how the Republican right and its talk radio mouthpieces demonized and savaged Bill Clinton, even suggesting the Clintons had Vince Foster murdered? That his death was officially ruled a suicide didn't matter to Clinton haters. Rush Limbaugh of the far right, meet Michael Moore of the far left

I'll take the word of friends who say "Fahrenheit 9/11" has great entertainment value, regardless of your politics. But to call it a serious 'documentary" would be like calling a pig a peacock. For me, this year's presidential election is too important for us to conflate alf-baked conspiracy

with serious political debate. Bush has a lot to answer for on Election Day. He will have to answer for a unilateral and arrogant foreign policy that has seriously damaged American credibility in the world. And for his administration's miscalculations and exaggerations in taking us to war in Iraq and for the mismanagement of the postwar occupation. At home, he will have to answer for irresponsible tax cuts and huge budget deficits that darken our children's fu-These are the issues that should be at the center of this election - not Moore's suggestion that

and Iraq to benefit his friends in the oil industry. If that charge were true — and Moore offers no documentation — Bush should be impeached.

The polls suggest that Bush's presidency is in political jeopardy. Public support for the war is col lapsing, and a solid majority of Americans believe the country is moving in the wrong direction The president's approval rating has dropped to 42 percent, the lowest of his presidency. About the only good news for Bush is that despite his political troubles, he is still running about even with

John Kerry were making some of the outrageous charges Michael Moore makes against Bush in "Fahrenheit 9/11," most voters would have a hard time taking him seriously as a presidential

Kerry should hope Moore's romp across the political stage is a brief one, and that he does not become the poster boy of the Democratic Party in the public mind. After all. Moore has said some pretty awful things about Americans and not just George W. Bush — in playing to anti-American sentiment in Europe

York Times columnist David Brooks recently served up a sampler of Moore's opinions. For example, he told a British newspa-



ner that Americans "are possibly the dumbest people on the plan-Our stupidity is embarrass-Or how about Moore's view of the Iraqi insurgents who are killing American soldiers almost daily: "The Iragis who have risen up against the [U.S.] occupation are not 'insurgents' or 'terrorists' or 'the enemy.' They are the revo-lution, the minutemen, and their numbers will grow - and they

will win." ...
Like the demagogues on right, Michael Moore has a right to be wrong, dishonest, outrageous, silly and to disregard facts that might get in the way of a good polit-ical diatribe. But I have a right not to take him seriously. I refuse to let Michael Moore set the standard for political discourse in our de mocracy.

Philip Gailey is editor of editorials for the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times

Applying imperfect calculus for the value of lives

arly three years after it was created, the Sept. 11 Victim Compensation Fund has finished its work About 2,880 families that lost a loved one on Sept. 11 (97 percent of those eligible) signed up for tax-free public compensation: in addition, more than 2,600 physical-injury victims received checks. The total cost to the taxpayers was more than \$7 billion, a unique, unprecedented response by the American people to fellow citizens in need (as well as undocumented workers and foreign nationals from 75 nations)

I was the administrator of the program, appointed by the president two months after the attacks to oversee the fund and to navigate both the moral and practical pitfalls that seemed sure to arise. It was an enormous and difficult task, and I found myself awed by the randomness of death and the imperfect nature of any solution.

In hindsight, I believe the work we did brought out the best in the American character. But it is clear that the process - estab lished by a federal statute hastily enacted within weeks of the tragedy - also raised important and fundamental questions for the American people.

First, was the Sept. 11 Victim Compensa-tion Fund a good idea? I have agonized over this question; clearly, the issue is a close The program was structured such that call families agreed not to sue the airlines, the World Trade Center or others allegedly at fault and in return would be allowed to apply for federal aid. Yet no such program exists for the families of the Oklahoma City bombing. Nor will a Treasury check be sent to those who lost a loved one in the attacks on our embassies in Africa and the USS Cole or even in the first World Trade Center at tack in 1993. In our egalitarian democracy it is hard to justify singling out one group of victims for special treatment. ...

gram was a unique response to an unprecedented historical event, a foreign attack on domestic shores causing the deaths of thousands. Sept. 11 stands with Pearl Harbor. the American Civil War and the assassination of President Kennedy in its devastating effect on our national life. One response from the American people was to rally around the victims and go to their aid. The 9/11 attack was different, and this difference, in my view, justifies the program.

Second, even if the program can be justified, did Congress do the right thing in requiring that each eligible family receive a different amount of compensation depending on the victim's estimated future earnings? This too is a close call. Every day throughout the United States, juries take into account the financial circumstances of victims. ... This is the American way. .

But extending this approach to a public

compensation scheme is problematic. Economic distinctions fuel divisiveness among the very families seeking assistance..

The fund also required that one person alone - the fund administrator - gaze into a murky crystal ball and try to predict what the victim would have earned over a lifetime. Distinguishing hard fact from mere speculation would indeed tax the wisdom of Solomon, Asking a single person to do these calculations - to be both economist and guaranteed an emotional challenge by 9/11 families that the victim's life had been undervalued. And many families did argue exactly that

But if Congress had required that every eligible family receive the same compensation, would that have been fairer? And how much compensation would Congress provide? Flat payments engender their own controversies. One size rarely fits all.

Perhans the best solution - however im-

perfect - would have been a series of tiered payments, with eligible families being classi-fied in three or four groups depending upon their range of incomes. Not exactly the same compensation for everybody, but, rather, an attempt to avoid the practical and philosophical problems associated with the imperfect calculation of individual awards.
Finally, there remains the obvious gues-

tion: In the unfortunate event of another attack by foreign terrorists, should Congress enact another public compensation program? ... Of course, some unforeseen, monstrous attack may require a similar re-sponse. But even then it is likely that any compensation scheme will differ markedly from the tailored, individualized awards that characterized the fund. But for now at least praise is due the Sept. 11 fund, a unique experiment in American democracy

Kenneth R. Feinberg is the special master appointed by President Bush to administer the federal Sept. 11 Victim Compensation Fund. This column first appeared in the Los Angeles Times.

Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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Crabby on imports

NEW ORLEANS
The Louisiana crab
industry is working on rallying support among Southern states to get the federal
government to slap duties on
imports from Venezuela
and other nations.

The effort, in its early stages, is the latest move by a Louisiana seafood industry to get relief from imports.

The crawfish industry has already won an antidumping case against Chinese crawfish tail meat, and shrimpers are awaiting a ruling on whether duties should be imposed on imports from six Asian and South American countries.

Crabbers, buoyed by what other fishermen and processors have done, want to file an antidumping petition with the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Treasure in old stove

RI CENTRAL FALLS—A Central Falls landlord is sure glad he looked in an old stove before he threw it out. Inside were vintage coins and nearly \$4,000 worth of gold and silver bars.

Vincent Bilotti came across the Broad Street apartment of a longtime tenant who had died recently of cancer. He pried open the coal-burning chamber and found several wrapped parcels and canisters, The Times of Pawtucket reported.

The cans had plastic bags with ancient pennies — wartime zinc, Indian head and wheat. The brown paper packages had 133 one-ounce gold and silver bars. There were also five-dollar bills minted in 1851 and solid-silver dollars from the 1880s.

Bilotti said he'll make sure the valuables get to either Ben Mizer-

a's wife or a relative.

"It's possible that they had forgotten about it years ago," he said.

Lineup change wanted

MA BOSTON — Norfolk District Attorney William R. Keating, troubled by a series of wrongful convictions in Massachusetts, is pushing for changes in the way investigators conduct police lineums.

Keating wants to make sure officers conducting lineups don't know which person in the lineup is the suspect.

That way, police won't be able to use their own reactions, either deliberately or accidentally, to influence a witness into choosing the suspect.

Police also would be asked to show witnesses photographs of potential suspects one at a time instead of in groups. The new method has been approved by the U.S. Justice Department and has been shown to be more accurate.

Keating is expected to ask representatives of 27 police departments and six State Police barracks at a July 15 training session to adopt the new procedures.

Sign limits complaint

FERNDALE — The American Civil Liberties Union told municipalities in southeastern Michigan that ordinances limiting the display of campaign signs on lawns are repressing freedom of expression. The organization re-

AMERICAN ROUNDUP

ceived a complaint from a Ferndale resident ticketed for having more than one political sign in his yard last year. Local officials said the sign ordinances are needed to keep their communities looking

Allegations against DA

GA SACRAMENTO — A grand jury has recommended that a district attorney be publicly rebuked for making threatening remarks about reporters and attempting to intimidate employees who witnessed the incidents.

The Stanislaus County civil grand jury, an investigative panel that cannot hand up indictments, said District Attorney James Brazelton committed nine acts of willful misconduct.

During a Modesto Bee investigation into his credit card expenditures, Brazelton approached an employee, drew a gun from its holster and said, "This is what I would like to give that reporter," the grand jury report said.

Brazelton, 62, who has been in the spotlight since his office became involved in the Laci Peterson murder case, denied making the remark and another accusation involving handgun gestures, accord-

ing to the report.

The grand jury called on the county Board of Supervisors to publicly rebuke Brazelton.

Everything's big in Texas

WACO — In a state as big as Texas, is there room for two Texas Rangers museums? Former members of the elite law



Dull day at the zoo
A lioness yawns while sitting in the
Denver Zoo's new predator exhibit
in Denver.

enforcement agency think so. While the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in Waco is seeking to expand, the Former Texas Rangers

seeking to expand, the Former Texas Rangers Foundation has bought 15 acres and raised more than \$1 million for the Texas Rangers History and Education Center in Kerrville, about 160 miles away in southwestern Hill Country.

There is already a small museum for Texas Rangers in San Antonio, but former Rangers believe the Lone Star State is big enough for two major museums honoring the branch of state law enforcement that dates to 1823.

The modern Texas Rangers are an investigative division of the Texas Department of Public Safety

Professor sues for firing

GA AMERICUS — A former Georgia Southwestern State University professor is suing the school. Mohammed Saheb said he was wrongfully terminated because he is Muslim. The computer technology professor says he was also forced to deal with devogatory comments about Iranians and Muslims while working at the university. A court date isn't expected for about a year.

Welcoming in Hmong

WI WAUSAU — The state made SI million available for job training to counties expecting to take in some 3,600 of the more than 15,000 Hmong leaving a temple compound in Thailand for the United States. Wisconsin's welfare-to-work program will provide the training. Gov. Jim Doyle also created a task force to advise him on their resettlement.

No stalking charges

BROOMFIELD—A reporter who published an account of being raped as a child and said he once considered killing his alleged attacker will not be charged with stalking the man, prosecutors said.

David Holthouse, 33, whose account was published in the Denver alternative weekly Westword, was arrested on suspicion of stalking on May 29, allegedly because he had asked a friend to watch the al-

Prosecutor Steve Bernard said the alleged attacker did not want to press charges.

leged ranist's home

In the May 13 Westword story, Holthouse described being raped at knifepoint at age 7 in 1978 by the teenage son of a family acquaintance. Holthouse wrote that he bought a gun and planned to kill the man but changed his mind after his parents found out about the assault.

Signatures submitted

LITTLE ROCK — Supporters of a proposed amendment to the Arkansas constitution
that would ban gay marriages and
civil unions submitted signed getitions to get the measure before voters in November. The Arkansas
Marriage Amendment Committee
said it collected 200,693 signatures. Supporters need at least
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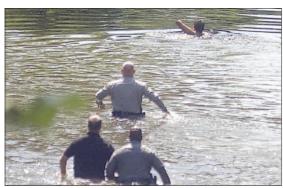
Rolling down the river The Anson Northrup paddleboat goes through Lock and Dam No.

2 near Hastings. Minn., during the Grand Excursion.



Always time for a beauty routine

Al, Holt, 13,
of Creola, Ala., Tiffany Harris, 13, of Chicago, and Brandon Holt, 9, of
Creola, Ala., From Beauty at Sandy Ridge Farm in Citronelle, Ala. The
farm, which is owned by Harrison and Waynetta Black, hosts a camp every
summer in which kids can learn about caring for and ridine horse.



A splashy getaway

A suspect, top, tries to elude police in the Tar River in Rocky Mount, N.C., after leading police on a chase. The vehicle the suspect was driving was reported stolen in Virginia Beach, Va., police said. The suspect was taken into custody with charges pending.



Dreams of flight

Lance Sprunger of Goshen, Ind. plays with his new model plane at the Freedom Fest in Goshen, Ind. The annual show draws thousands to the airfield for demonstrations by a variety of aircraft.



Matt Berst, 34, of Orange you glad it's summer? Coralville, Iowa. takes a ride down the bright-orange space bowl water slide during the opening of the new Coralville Community Aquatic Center in Coralville.



Pounding the pavement Children participating in the annual Whiskey Row Boot Race charge down Montezuma Street in Prescott, Ariz. The race, now in its 22nd vear. is one of many events scheduled for the annual Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo.

Work to prevent outages

NJ LAVALLETTE — Jersey Central Power & Light completed \$18 million in repairs to pre vent recurrence of a power line failure. The outage last July 4th weekend left more than 34,000 homes and businesses along the shore without electricity.

The utility has since replaced old lines, added new ones and spent nearly \$2 million to reimburse businesses and homeowners for losses from the 63-hour blackout

Great place to recreate

JACKSON — Teton County was ranked the top recreation area in the United States in a study by Colorado College on the state of the Rocky Mountains. The study noted that Jackson in Teton County is positioned as a gateway to the Grand Teton and Yellowstone national parks. Hinsdale County, Colo., northeast of Durango, ranked second. Park County was the only other

Wyoming county in the top 10.

No clues in fish theft

AK ANCHORAGE — Something fishy happened to Ray Bolanos' luggage.

omewhere between Anchorage and Seattle, about 40 meticulously wrapped and packed one-pound pieces of fresh-caught halibut vanished from his checked bags.
"I really just feel violated," Bol-

anos said from his home in Kenmore, Wash.

Bolanos said his bags appeared on the luggage carousel at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport almost immediately after he arrived June 24. But one of the two coolers of fish was missing the rope he'd tied around it in Anchorage

Bolanos complained to Continental Airlines and both airports, but so far there have been no clues to what happened to the fish he caught on Kachemak Bay.

Easier to surf Honolulu

HONOLULU — Whether you're in Honolulu, N.C., Honolulu, Kan., or Honolulu, Alaska, starting this week, the Web ad-dress honolulu.gov will take you straight to the islands. City officials said the federal

General Services Administration, which oversees the use of all ".gov" Internet addresses, gave the green light last month for the City and County of Honolulu to use the streamlined Web address.

It would replace the standard, more cumbersome co.honolulu.hi.us construction used by most municipalities.

Officials first sought to use the gov address three years ago, but were unable to secure the name due to competing claims by about 50 other municipalities that share the same name as Hawaii's capital, said U.S. Rep. Ed Case, D-Hawaii.

Transplants halted

VALHALLA cost-cutting at Westchester Medical Center has reached its transplant programs with the sus-pension of heart transplants and pancreas transplants.

The head of the consulting team now running the financially beleaguered hospital said that not enough transplants were being done to justify the cost of the programs.

"We have not seen the kind of volume that we would have liked, and, financially that is an issue for us now." said consultant Mary

The hospital has done two heart transplants this year and 20 since the program started in 2001. There have been no pancreas transplants since 2002.

The 17 patients on the waiting list for a heart will be transferred to other centers, the hospital said.

Young and political

WI RICE LAKE — He hasn't reached voting age vet, but Jason Rae has earned a place at the red-hot center of the Democratic Party

The 17-year-old has won the election to one of Wisconsin's four spots to the Democratic National Committee and will go to Boston's convention next month

Rae will be a senior in high school next year and has an impressive résumé: first in his class, student council president, editor of the yearbook, active in his church. He's also earned his political chops. Rae serves on the re-elec-

tion steering committee of Sen. Russ Feingold, has worked on the gubernatorial campaign of Tom Barrett and is a vice chairman of the Barron County Democratic Rae started preparing himself since way back. At 5, he urged his

parents to vote for Bill Clinton in "He's been watching C-SPAN

for I don't know how long," said his father

DNA database OK'd

NY ALBANY — A federal judge ruled that the law establishing New York state's database of DNA samples from convicted offenders is constitutional, U.S. District Judge Kevin Thomas Duffy found that the program, which seeks to match crime-scene DNA samples with those of known criminal offenders, doesn't violate protections against warrantless or suspicionless searches under the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Landfill allowed over limit

HEDGESVILLE cerned about health risks from uncollected garbage, state of-ficials allowed LCS North Mountain landfill to temporarily exceed its monthly 9,999-ton limit. State law requires landfills to close when they reach their tonnage limit. State and local officials plan to meet with the landfill's owner in July to discuss solutions.

Accident kills girl, 10

NY ALBANY — A 10-year-old girl died after accidentally falling from a tree house with a strap around her neck.

Authorities said Amanda Moon was playing with her cousins in her tree house in East Chatham when she placed a strap around her neck and fell about six feet. Amanda's father said she suf-

fered brain damage and died at an Albany hospital. East Chatham is 22 miles south-

east of Albany.

Stories and photos from wire services

FACES 'N' PLACES

Simon says keep a low profile

Singer/songwriter credits long-lasting fame to her homebody ways

BY COLLEEN LONG The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Singer/songwriter Carly Simon has managed to remain a household name for more than 20 years, even though she's performed live only about 75

She says being just under the radar keeps her afloat Simon recently released "Reflections: Carly Simon's Greatest Hits," on BMG Heritage. The CD is a comprehensive collection of all her big hits, including "You Belong to Me," "Haven't Got Time for the Pain," and, of course, "You're So Vain."

She's also making a cameo appearance in the new film "Little Black Book," which stars Brittany Murphy as a woman who loves Simon's music. And designer Michael Kors has created a clothing line inspired by the "hippie chick" style Simon made famous in the mid-1970s

After years of a high-profile life and romances with the likes of James Taylor and Warren Beatty, Simon, 58, has become a homebody. She lives in Martha's Vineyard, on a farm she calls modest, with horses, donkeys, cats and sheep. Her two children have small cottages on her property, and she spends most of her time writing and sing-

Q: You don't do many concerts, is it because you're

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Singer/songwriter

shy?
A: I'm shy but that's not the reason for not touring. It's been very hard for me to put into words, to put it into some kind of understandable format, even for me. It has to do with a combination of the fact that I'm an anxiety prone person and I'm prone to attacks. I can wig out. I can wig out in a department store or in a social situation. at a dinner party, or in a restaurant. The stage isn't the only place I can do it, but that has some adverse conditions, you can't get off. I've only done about 75 concerts.

Q: Many people say they perform for the rush, and they love the crowds. Do you miss not being able to tour?

A: Well, I interpret adrenaline as something dangerous. I like to sing with a certain with amount of steam behind my voice, energy, and I push on it. My little vocal cords haven't been trained or are too fragile, I can't really sustain a tour. I would like to be able to tour, but not so much that I rectify this stuff

It would be wonderful to have the kind of record sales I could have if I did tour, but I'm also a homebody par excellence, and to get me to leave my home and its environs is tough

Q: How do you think you've managed to stay afloat without touring

A: Ironically, I think that being so low profile has kept me fresh. I've never worn myself out. I've never latched onto what's hip at the moment. I've basically followed the beat of my own drummer all along.

Q: Your songs are known for being very personal. Is it difficult to be so open?



Carly Simon poses with her guitar at her home in Martha's Vinevard, Mass.

A: Well don't forget the poetic license. I can shift dramatically at any point, so you never know how close or not close it is to reality. That's the beauty of being a poet or a songwriter. You don't have to sign a declaration saying this is all true. But there is something from my own experience in just about every song.

Q: You've also had very public relationships, especially with James Taylor. Was it hard to be married in the public eye?

A: There was a very positive competition between James and I, but I invariably felt like that was seen as nega tive by outsiders. But really, nothing made me angrier than when James got a less-than-perfect review. One of my better talents is that I'm an editor, and I was able to help James in that way. I used to be able to suggest he use another word, and he did the same

for me. It worked really well. Q: Do you still talk to him?

A: No. he's taken that from our rela tionship. We have two kids but they're grown. It wasn't because we parted ways so poorly, I'm sure you can think of another reason.

Q: Are you lonely?

A: Well I've been married for about 17 years to a poet named Jim Hart, but we're not together right now. God, I feel there are so many things about life that work with each other but sometimes against each other. I really want to be with a partner. On the other hand, I may have gone too long without one. I may have gotten too deep into the alone habits

Q: Why did you decide to tell someone last year who 'You're So Vain" is about after all this time?

A: Well it's just not that big of a deal. Dick Ebersol and some of his friends came over to my house, we had peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, I played the song and I told them who it was about. They're sworn to secrecy.

Q: I don't suppose you want to tell me? A: Nope, sorry. But the letters E, A and R are in it.

Q: But why not? I mean, since you already told these other people and you say it's not a big deal?

A: Oh, it would be anticlimactic now. I've gone this far not telling, so why bother telling now?

Kenny Rogers, wife have twins

Singer Kenny Rogers and his wife, Wanda, are the parents of identical twin boys.

The twins were born Tuesday morning in Atlanta, according to Claire Cook with Dreamcatcher Entertainment. Justin Charles weighed 6 nounds 10 ounces, and his twin brother. Jor-

dan Edward, weighed 5 pounds, 8 Wanda Rogers is an identical twin,

and twins also run in Kenny Rogers' family, Cook said. The 65-year-old singer has three

children from previous marriages. During his long career, Rogers

has had dozens of hits on the pop and country charts, in-cluding "Lucille." "The Gambler" and "Lady."



Bill Clinton's memoir apparently has cooked up a lot of interest for another book connected to the former president

Two weeks ago, just before the release of Clinton's autobiography "My Life," a cookbook re-

leased by Clinton's library foundation ranked a modest 80,000th on the Amazon com sales list

As of Monday, it had climbed to

"I can only assume that 'My Life' has something to do with it, said Skip Rutherford, president of Clinton's nonprofit foundation.

"My Life" has been No. 1 on Amazon.com since its June 22 release.

Rutherford said there's no other explanation for such rapid sales growth for a cookbook released for general distribution

in January. It started out as a self-published fund-raising effort last fall by the Clinton Foundation, but was later spruced up for national and international distribution by Sedgewood Press.

Softening up 'King Arthur'

Producer Jerry Bruckheimer didn't mind shedding some of the blood and violence in his latest action flick, King Arthur.

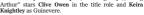
Battle scenes were edited to bring the movie in at a PG-13 rating in-

stead of the original R rating. "You want to fill as many seats as you can, and if you're limited by 17

and over, it's much harder," Bruckheimer said last month. Disney, the film's distributor, originally planned to release the movie in the fall, a more adult-oriented season when the R rating would have made sense. After the movie was

moved to the more competitive summer, filmmakers wanted to broaden the audience, Bruck-

Directed by Antoine Fugua ("Training Day"), "King



'90210' star Spelling weds

Actress Tori Spelling, best known for her role as Donna on TV's "Beverly Hills 90210", has married, her publicist said Monday.

Spelling, 31, and actor-writer Charlie Shanian got married Satur-day at her parents' home in Holmby Hills, Calif., publicist Cece Yorke said. It is the first marriage for both.

Spelling, the daughter of television producer Aaron Spelling, spent 10 years on his hit series "Beverly Hills 90210." She also has appeared in the films "Scary Movie 2,"
"Scream 2," and "Troop Beverly

The couple met on stage in 2002

during the Los Angeles production of the romantic comedy, "Maybe, Baby It's You," co-written by Shanian, 35. The two actors were in 11 vignettes about couples in search of love.





Horoscope

The Aries moon is in its last quar ter. Cancer tends to whip strong feelings to the surface. Channel all of that emotion into taking a project to the finish line.

Success depends on going forward even when the fear and discomfort are nagging us to stop. Sudden changes happen in the evening Even long-term restrictions will finally be lifted.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 9). You're so spiritually powerful this year, you'll urprise yourself by attract-

ing exactly what you need. Feeling at peace will improve every area of your life. This month, your style in business attracts new jobs or clients. August brings love closer to your heart. Trips are featured in November and next May. Some of you will move out of state in September.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You've got the chance to stretch your powers of compassion. Your love grows when you give it away Beserve the right to be private about your love life, or you risk spoiling the mystique you've been cultivating.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

The stars are perfect for giving your life a quick review. Examine how you spend your time, and question the priorities that you have set for yourself. How do your activities add up to getting your goal? Family is a driving force.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Different areas of your life that seemed at cross-purposes before are now jiving like a solid dance groove. Magical results come from combining your work with friendshins, hobbies with love and finance es with both.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You smell the money, and you know exactly how to free it. It can't hurt that the law of averages is working in your favor. But as easily as it comes to you, it also has the potential to fly out of your hands. Be smart

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). So much of what happens today is based on your support system. If you don't have one, or it's not supporting you in the fashion you need, it's apparent. Make changes quickly. You're a little on the gullible side tonight

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

Have the confidence to ask for special treatment today. More is



available to you than you think. Instead of being merely sated, you could be knocked out by the possibilities! You are rewarded for dutiful action toniaht

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). With some savvy thinking and fast action, you can really improve your financial sector. You could shave

a year off your mortgage or car payments! Lend an empathet ic ear tonight, and you can nip a problem in the bud.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You put great emotion into every decision. It's hard to know how to read your heart's cryptic messages Art could be the great code breaker. Draw a picture of your life on both the "pro" and "con" side of the equa-

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Worthy goals come with a certain amount of risk — if your goal isn't risky, it's not worthy. When you set your aims high enough, they'll actually create a vacuum that sucks you forward — you won't be able to help yourself!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19). Black-and-white worlds exist only in the movies. And just as the movies make such color limitations seem dramatic and sharper than real life, if you see things only as wrong or right, the drama escalates

AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your talent shines. Don't be embarrassed! Your aesthetic sense is honed, and so are your communicative powers. You can relate a variety of sensations to the rest of the world through artistry and craftsmanship.

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's comforting to be in a love relation ship that feels safe, but too safe gets on your nerves. You crave adven ture! Association with a Gemini or Taurus will provide spur-of-the-moment fun without getting you into

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APPARENTLY THERE'S BEEN SOME TROUBLE ABOUT DOGS BEING SENT TO VIET NAM, AND THEN NOT GETTING BACK



ALL I KNOW IS I WENT TO THE DAISY HILL PUPPY FARM TO MAKE A SPEECH... I GOT WHOMPED WITH A DOG DISH, TRAPPED IN A RIOT, LOST IN THE SMOKE







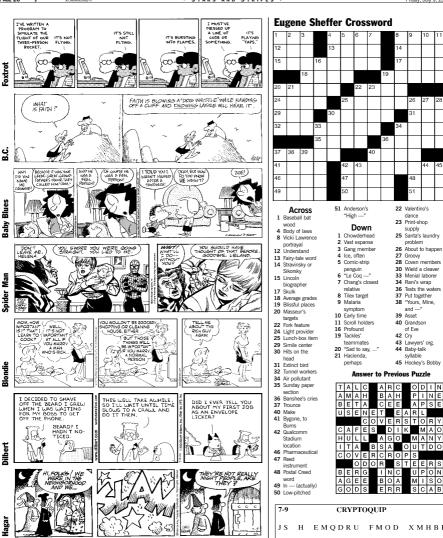












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by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion 800/900 non-have been DISCONTINUED You started it

Son's hair object of contention JUMBLE

Dear Abby: I am an almost-14-year-old boy in Iowa My father thinks my hair is too long and says I should get a summer cut — short like his of course. The reason, according to my mom, is adults have said how bad my hair looks. I believe if they're going to Dear Abby be so rude as to say that

to my mom, I should keep it long to keep them mad I get the feeling that my dad is afraid, as a

physician, that it's hurting his reputation Abby, I'm a good kid. I get straight A's, I'm involved in many constructive activities, and

my hair is just a little over my ears, almost touching my T-shirt collar in the back, and my bangs are brushed to the side. Who's right here? - Irritated in Iowa

Dear Irritated: You appear to be intelligent and a high achiever. Please don't let a power strug-

gle over the length of your hair ruin your summer. A compromise may be in order

Take a long, hard look in the mirror. If a number of people have said your hair looks "bad," perhaps it could be shaped - a little — into something less shaggy and more flattering.

If you're afraid your dad's barber might scalp you, consider consulting your mother's hairdresser. Where I live, it's common to see males in beauty salons because their girlfriends, wives or mothers have sent

them there Dear Abby: Every year, on my in-laws' birthdays, I prepare a beautiful dinner, bake or purchase a decorated cake

husband. When my birthday comes, my in-laws acknowledge it with only financially and could afford to take us out for dinner if his mom doesn't want to cook), but they feel that a card is adequate. They say, "People shouldn't do things for others because they expect something back."

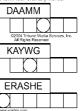
Am I wrong to expect som kind of reciprocation? Frankly,

I'm hurt - Slighted in Missouri Dear Slighted: Your feelings

are justified. Although I agree that people should not do things for others because they expect something back, by putting forth no effort on your hirthday, they are sending the message that they haven't accepted you as a daughter. Perhaps when their next birthdays roll around, their son should be the one to prepare the dinner, make sure there's a birthday cake and purchase their gift. If he remembers, that is. Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles CA 90069, Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at

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one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words



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WHEN THE FAMILY

(Answers tomorrow)

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and buy them a nice gift. My narents do the same for my

a card. My husband has talked to

Dad needs to put the porn down

Annie's Mailbox needlessly? Dear Annie: My - Concerned Mom husband of 20 years recently told me his feelings for me are gone Dear Mom: Some men like to look at pornography, but when the urge includes ille-I was not surprised. I became concerned about our marriage several gal online sites and our marriage several years ago, when I noticed that "Ned" spent an exces-sive amount of time on-line looking at pornogra-phy, including one illegal hours in front of the computer every day, and it wrecks your marriage, it is not normal. You need to site with teenage girls We are no longer to discuss this with your attorney, and make gether, but I have a

sure the judge knows 14-year-old son who will be visiting his father, alone, as what your concerns are Then talk to your son. He's no part of our separation agree-ment. I am concerned that Ned doubt aware of pornography, and will expose our son to his pornog able to understand that such raphy collection. images are demeaning to women He already has told me that and can create an unrealistic looking at such images is "norexpectation of future relationmal" and he sees nothing wrong

> Dear Annie: I read the letter from "No Grimm Stepmom," who asked how long she and her husband should continue subsidizing her 23-year-old stepson's college education. You said to put a time limit on the tuition payments, and possibly have the stepson find a

full-time job during the day and attend school at night.

When the writer said she re members supporting herself at the same age, she ignores the fact that college tuition has risen faster than the rate of inflation. Students today are economically dependent a lot longer than our generation When I graduated medical school in 1971, tuition was \$2,100 a year. It is now \$38,500. Medical students can accumulate \$200,000 in debt before they open their first

practice

Scottsdale, Ariz.

Ophthalmologist Dear Scottsdale: Thanks for highlighting the difference between today's students and those of previous generations. We agree with you, but that doesn't mean parents should fork over cash indefinitely. At some point, children need to work it oi their own, one way or the other. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to annies mailbox@comeast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicator 577 W. Century Blud, Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045.

Yesterday's **Family Circus**

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"It's Grandma's word processor."

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in showing it to a 14-year-old

lawyer is adding language that

says Ned's computer has to be

In our final divorce papers, my

locked up when our son visits, but

how can I be sure he will comply?

So, tell me. Annie: Is all this porn a normal guy thing, or is

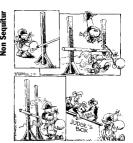
there something wrong with my

ex? Am I worrying about my son





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1994 Nissan Terrano - 4v4, JCI until Feb 2005, paid road tax, tow miles, cold A/C, title Feb 2005, paid road tax, tow miles, cold A/C, title root, custom steering wheel. Looks and runs great! 56,200 CBO. Will negotiate. G

1994 Toyota Trueno - Black, 2-door, ice cold A/C, 6 disc CD changer, JCI due September 2005. \$2000.00 OBO. Call 622-5321.

91 Mazda Miata - Convertible, Euros Roadster in Japan, Brit-ish racing geen with tan interior, fun to drive classic sports-car, fun to drive classic sports-car, all scheduled maintenance done by Mazda garage, JCI until Oct. 2005, \$3,000 Call 263-7057 or email pacific_link@hotmail.com

91 Toyota Cynos For Sale, \$2000 OBO Good shape, strong engine, FRESH JCI 6/06. Clean

engine, FRESH JCI 6/06. Clean Car. Contact Kevin or Leah 633-2693

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Dec. 2004. Excellent condition &
well maintained with only 76 km,
old AC, power windows &
locks, CD player with aftermarket speakers. Great locking car
runs perfectly. If you want a
sporty family car, the ond's let
\$2,000. OBD. Call 633-1969 ask

Butler - 1989 Mitsubishi Pajero: runs perfect, great tires, new A/C compressor, blow supper cold, 4-wide door, works great. \$2,900.00 OBO. Call 622-5285.

Butler - 95 Silvia S14 Crr. 90 km on ODO, 5-speed with new OS super single racing clutch/lly wheel, enkel wheels, HKS mut-fler, RSR springs, black, JCI until June 2006, road tax just finished. Asking \$3,500.00. Call Jim at 622-6395 or email devilpup5583@yahoo.com

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Camp Courtney - 1991 Toyota Levin - Very good A/C, JCI due A u g u s t 2 0 0 5 . C a II 098-965-5185.

Camp Foster - 1990 Lite Acc. Brown, JCI until 2005, cold A/C, lots of room, Just tuned up, Low kilometers. Selling for \$1,600.00 OBO. If interested please call 646-4183 or email matthew, anderson@Okinawa.army.mil

Camp Foster - 1990 Toyota Hikuc-JCI Dec. 2005, road tax paid, newly charged AC, less than 1 year old tires, offering features, automatic, power ev-erything, clean runs and looks great! PCSing in July to sell ASAP. Priced low \$2,500 OBO. Call Luiz 646-5238.

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Camp Kinser - 1991 Nissan Skyline GTST: Perfect condition, black, and turbo charged, tast and very reliable. One of the nicest R32's you'll find. Ploneer every 4000 km, JCl until September 2005. \$3,200.00. (pictures available upon request), Call Steve at 637-3375.

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or email Mikkot@konnect.net

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Foster - 1991 Nissan Primera: Black, JCI until March 2006, runs great, cold A/C, just had 3rd child need to get a van. Asking \$2,800.00 DBO. Call 646-8124.

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Courtney, Okinawa - I have 3 large boxes of miscellaneous items. No time for flea market. Will sale all for \$70.00. Cothes, computer games, shoes knicknaks and much more. Call

lamps, small rug, and chalk-board. All for \$50. Call 645-4723 ask for Michi.

Miscellaneous

Miscellaneous 1040 Kadena, Okinawa - Cherry wood changing table 1 year old. \$40.00 OBO; 2 Winnie the Pool-changing pad covers, \$5 each sterilizer, \$20; first year bottle warmer, \$10; Boppy with activity arch, \$20. Call 633-1308.

Kadena, Okinawa - Little tykes fire truck step 2: In good real good shape. \$25.00. Call Kim at 633-6239. Camp Foster, Okinawa - Wan-ted: Plants if you are PCS'ng please don't throw your plants away, I will come a pick them up. Please call Nikki at 634-1666 during the day and 646-8831 in the evenings. Kadena, Okinawa - Must go pool table for sale: Excellent shape! Asking \$600.00 OBO. Call 633-7008 for more informa-

622-8574.
Foster, Okinawa - 20-gallon fish tank with Oscar, plants, and catlish. Everything included and must gol. Fish food, décor chemicals, plants, you name it. \$100.00. Call 646-4083. Kadena, Okinawa - Plants for sale: PCS'ing must sell roses, palm & fichus trees and more. Call 633-5326. Foster, Okinawa - Bed-in-a-bag, fish theme, fish wall décor, fish Kadena, Okinawa - Step 2 swing set: Will sell for \$250.00. Playhouse and slide swing attachment. Call Mandy 633-5170.

Foster, Okinawa - Car Audio (2) Kenwood KAC 4825 200w amp \$25, each: Kenwood PS2008 825 each; Keriwood PS200t 400w amp \$50; Kerwood M919 tunerimin disc player DSP/D919 CD player spectrum analyzer MP3 compabible \$500.00 All prices negotiable. Call 646-2610 (HM). Cell #309.0.379-5197 or email Mikkot68@konnect.net Kadena, Okinawa - Wor maternity blues uniform large. Only used for about hour. \$30.00. Call 632-4712. Okinawa - Green Wrought in swing cushions, some rust b still works great, \$25.00, 3 pie Bistro table and 2 chai \$25.00. Call 633-0731.

Kadena Airbase, Okinawa Barbie Barbie and Barbie, daughters outgrew, over 15 plus other girl toys all you're for \$30. Call 633-5570. ws.D.vv. v.ell 853-0/31.

Okinawa - I am selling a kid Jungle gyn for toddlers up to 3 years of age. If arryone is interested, if's going for 575.00 or OBO. Contact amy, thompson's kadena.af.mil or 633-7473

Kadena, Okinawa - 65g aquari-um for sale: Brand new, never used Lights and filter are still in the box. \$300.00. Please call 932-1649. Okinawa - Kolcraft convenience stroller. Parent & kid trays with cup holders; fully reclining seat one hand fold; large storage basket with battle holders. Navy & white. No infant seat. \$30. Call 633-6692. Kadena, Okinawa - 8 in 1 outdoor plastic playground: In good shape. Asking \$145.00. Call Kim at 633-6239. Call Kim at 633-6239.

Kadena, Okinawa - Large trash bag full of military uniforms. Great for flea markets. \$30.00 for the bag. Call 632-4712.

Spider Electra paintball gun, black, includes hopper and mask \$200.00 OBO. Please cal for the bag. Call 632-4712.

Kadena, Japan - Two boxes of toys include puzzle, dolls, and stuffed animals, drawing sets, unopened kids meal prizes and more. All in excellent condition mask, \$20 227-4731. Yokota: 2165X14 tires, \$30.00; 2 electric weed eaters, \$10.00; each; 18,000 BTU AC: \$75.00. Call 227-6916. make an offer. Call 633-2033

Yokota - Coffee Table, \$15 puter desk w/drawers and case, \$75, 227-3855 Yongsan, Korea - WANTED: Thomas the Train cars, tracks, buildings in gently used condi-tion. Email: staver@hawaii.edu

Miscellaneous 1040 okota, Japan - Psychology 00-text book (University of faryland), Never used \$40, and anon camera, 35mm lens, ood condition \$40. Call 227-

104-9eat Dook (University) of Adaption, New rout and \$40, and Adaption, New rout and \$40, and Adaption, New rout and \$40, and Adaption, New Route, New Rou

Yokota: Motorcycle Helmet -Black Shoei, (DOT), size large with clear and mirror iridium visors. \$250.00 OBO. Call

bike-rider Juice man juicer, rarely used, paid \$125, will settle for \$25. Call Jeff or Cody at 263-8562 or email mrhand09@yahoo.com.

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- Japan black, HKS intake, new spark plugs, straight pipe. \$1,800.00 OBO, Call 090-9312-3810.

1991 Nissan Skyline GTE - Blue grayish, automatic, power every-thing, CD, good gas mileage, AC, \$1,000.00 OBO. Call 227-7257. 1993 Toyota Celica - J.Cl. until April 2005, mleage 83,000k km, Blue, automatic, A/C, J/Cl. until manual transmission, available end of July, \$2,100.00. Call 227:73748.

1995 Nissan Sunny - 4-door, power windows and locks, low miles, A/C, JCI until June 2005, \$1,500.00 Call 227-8025, \$1,500.00 Call 227-8058, \$1,500 1995 Nissan Sunny - Low miles, A/C, all power, automatic, JCI until July 2005. Call 227-8025. 91 BBM 750L - Fell yladed, a black laterier firetos, seurod. 261-27-8028.
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91 Toyota Soarer - Midnight blue. V-8 automatic, power blue, V-9 automatic, power windows, doors, seats, and ABS, leather interior, TV and ABS, leather interior, TV and anxigation, remote starter and entry, 17* premium wheels and cound system with subwooder and 12 disc changer, road tisepad for 2004, JCI until Sep. 2005 \$5,000.00 OBO. Call \$289.4737 or email george. taylorid dia.mil

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146 Sprinter: Automatić, AM/FM/CD player, power windows and locks, big trunk; four new tires, A/C, available July 8, weight tax until April 2005, JCI until May 2006 \$1,200.00 CBO. Call 263-4576, 042-712-2737 ormal deguidapham@hotmail.

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good trough April 2 DSN 636-2582 636-5202 NIGHT

641-2896 (W). 1990 Nissan Skyline GTS - 15 speed, JCI until May 2005, road tax, ice cold AC, 36,000 km, GTR wing, GTR intake & turbo timer, HKS front and rear stru-bar, rear enhaust. Possible trades accepted. Call anytime Eric 633-6296.

1989 Toyota 4 Dr. Sedan Red, road tax paid, great A/C. JCI good trough April 2006. \$700.00 DSN 636-2582 DAY DSN

1989 Toyota Light Ace - Availa-ble Now!!! JCl until Acril 2006.

ble Now!! JCl until April 200e, Great A/C, mechanically sound, automatic, power windows and "roof" window, only \$1,200.00. Call 637-2298 (H) or 625-2388 (W) ask for SSgt MacDougall.

1990 Blue Mazda Miata (Eunos) - JCI Good until April 2006, 2004 road tax paid. Fun car. Baby on the way, no room for baby car seat. CD player, cold AC automatic, 77.895 km, \$3000. OBO. Call 646-3596 (H), 641-2989 (H).

1990 Toyota Celica, Red. Sweet ride and looks GOOD. \$2300 obo with brand new JCI.

1990 Toyota Surf - JCI until July 2005. \$2,800.00 1992 Nissan Skyline - JCI until July 2005, \$1,500.00. 1992 Toyota Tureno - JCI until Nov. 2005, \$1,800.00 all three have new tires, and are priced for a quick sale. Call 633-6565 after 5pm or email elikhuntr@kda.attml.ne.3

1991 Honda CRX - Black, 76K, non-smoker, ice cold AVC, JCI good until Oct. 2005, power window, after market stereo with amplifier, tinted windows, very reliable vehicle, asking \$3,00.00 OBO. Contact Jon at \$3,00.00 OBO. Contact Jon at

1991 Nissan Prairie - Runs great, good A/Cl New battery, tires, and suspension. Very reliable and handy. JCl until Oct. 2004, will discount, road tax paid. \$2,550.00 OBO. Class 090-8290-4573. Will make a deal if you buy our 1992 Camry too.

- Korea

Japan

Atsugi - 98 Dodge neon RT 4-doors, 2.0. DOHC, 5-speed, 74,000 miles, alam, stereo system, power locks, air con works with charge, sporty and fun to drive. Asking 83,300.00 or best offer. Call Christy or Justin at 671-653-8810 or 264-6805.

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Yokosuka - 1994 Nissan Blue-bird. \$500. Short Notice PCSI Bought Cheap! Selling Cheap! 124,000 km; automatic; 4-door. 243-7807. tonyohl@ysa.attml.

Yokosuka, Japan - 1994 4-Runner, imported from California, never registered in Japan. Take back to states on your PCS. Many extras. \$7000 OBO. Call Gary, 090-5334-0503.

Yokota - 1988 Toyota Lite Ace Van: Excellent condition, JCI until August 2005. \$900.00 OBO. Call 227-5638.

Yokota - 1989 Suzuki: Every micro van, A-plate, gray, man-ual, A/C, JCI until March 2005. \$550.00 OBO. Call 227-7398.

Yokota - 87 Toyota LiteAce Van, A/T, Cold A/C, AM/FM/CD, JCI until Apr 2005, runs great. \$1000 OBO. Call Marcia at 227-3297.

Yokota - 94 Skyline GT, project on parts car runs, and drives great. Needs new bumper, Front quarter panel and hood. Asking \$600. OBO. 227-2703 Yokota Airhase - 1991 Toyota

1991 Toyota Ex and 1992 Nissan California, road tax paid, JCI until August 2005, very cold AVC, power windows and mir-rors, radio casseble, clean, we kept, runs great Only \$2,300.00 for both cars! PCS orders, must sell so DSN: 229-3174 CML: (03) 3423-0326

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Camp Butter - 1994 Honda - 2-door, JCI until March 2005, runs great, cold A/C, owner already PCS'ing trying to sell quick. \$500.00 DBD. Call 622-8502.

152 Foster - 92 Toyeta Cresta: JCI until November 2005, cold AC, 71 Millommers, great - Cor-tamily control of the control drive, CD player with remote. Asking \$2,500.00 OBO. Call 646-4083.

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Foster - 95 Toyota chaser Avente: White, cold A/C, excel-lent car. Only selling because PCS'ing early. \$3,800.00 OBD. Call Tessa at 646-5100 or if you want pictures you can email to

Futenma - 1992 Honda Integra Blue, 4-door automatic vmsn esue, 4-door automatic xmsn, power locks & doors, runs great, good AIC, AMFM player, cur-rent road tax, needs JCI. Must sell before July 7th. \$275.00 OBO. Call Cecilia at work 636-3990.

Red, good condition, runs great Selling for only \$1,900.00 OBO PCS'ng, it's a must see. Call Jr

Futenma, Okinawa - 1990 Hon da Prelude: Silver, 5 speed power windows and doors surroof, runs terrific, good fires new speakers, and JOI good until Feb 2005. \$450.0 GDC Call Steve at 636-4961 (by time) or 636-2946 (evenings).

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Autos for Sale 152 - Okinawa

Kadena - 1991 Toyota Van: Black, fair condition, new radia-tor, power locks, and power windows JC due October 2004. Asking \$500.00 OBO. Call 956-9296 or email annie. witte@kadena.af.mil

Kadena - 1992 Toyota Camry: AC, Automatic, CD player, pow-er windows, power locks, win-dow tinted, JCI until August 2004, good condition, need to sell. \$1,500.00 OBO. Call Rom-mel (CP) 090-9784-1465 or (HP) 633-9265.

Kadena - 1992 Toyota Carina ED: 4-door, surroof/moon roof, 6-disc changer, and car are in good condition, great work car, and JCl good until June 2006, Asking \$1,200.00 OBO. Please call Kim at 633-3768 leave message.

Kadena - 1993 Nissan Prairie: JCI due Mar 2005, cold A/C, automatic locks, great family van. \$900.00 OBO. Call Kay 634-2410 or 633-1257 Kadena - 1994 Town Ace 4X4: Excellent condition. \$2,500.00

excellent condition. \$2,500.00 BO. Call Jeramie or Rebecca t 958-7090 or email Rebecca. nomton@kadena.af.mil Kadena - 1995 Nissan Pulsar: Silver in color, cold A/C, has run immediately for two years now, but I am PCS'ing and must sell. Road tax has already been paid. Asking \$1,500 or better ofter. Feel free to email me at Jeremy. ancar@kadena.af.mil or call at 633-6095.

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Kadena - 1995 Toyota Curren: Silver, 17" rims, new tires, new break, very cold A/C, JCI good until June 2006, looks great and runs excellent. \$3,500.00 OBO. Call Chris or Heather at

Kadena - 89 Toyota Surf: 140,000 kilometers, JCI undi September 2004, 4 cylinders, A/C, runs great. \$1,000,00. Call Shawn at 632-3208, 090-6861-4121 or email smwilliams_sr@yahoo.com

Kadena - 90 Hilux: 4-wide door, automatic, hidden trailer hitch installed, tinted windows, ice cold A/C, AM/FM cassette 10

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Kadena Airbase - 1995 Toyota 2-door hatchback. Perfect Island car, great gas mileage, spotless interior, cold air, and top condi-tion. Available now. \$2,250.00 Call 932-6691, Extension 405.

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glide double stroller with matching infant car seat base. Taking up room in my van. \$50.00. Call Julie at 633-6692. Bicycles Kadena, Okinawa - Bicycle for sale: one" boys & one 29" girls. Come check out and make an ofter. Call Charlie at 633-1266.

Kadena, Okinawa - Double jogging stroller: Used and works GREATII \$60.00 OBO. Call

Kadena, Okinawa - Graco duo

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220 Atsugi, Japan - 1993 Kawasaki ZZR 250 - JCI until June 2005, \$900.00 OBO. Call Dedrick at 264-5353 or 080-5487-0503. Atsugi, Japan - 2003 GSXR 750 - blue, JCI until February 2005. \$7,000.00 OBO. Call Dedrick at 264-5353 or 080-5487-0503.

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and play with disper changing
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months. Also Graco car seat,
\$20. Call 646-4083.

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monitors still in box, \$10. Call
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Collectibles

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Computers

Kadena, Okinawa - 15" Comput er Monitor: Will sell for \$35.00 Call Greg at 633-6242. Kadena, Okinawa - Epson Per-fection 124OU color scanner with all manuals, software, and in original box. Perfect shape, excellent scans. \$60.00. Call 633-3043.

Foster, Okinawa - Having a baby and want a comforter set not sold at exchange, very cute patchwork of solid colors, den-ims and plaids. Comforter, fitted sheet, bumper, dust ruffle and balance paid \$250 selling for \$65.00 excellent condition. Call Nicole at 646-6102. Kadena, Okinawa - Gateway 19 inches color monitor: Excellent condition. Will sell for \$100.00. Call Bonnie at 633-7070. Kadena, Okinawa - I am looking for free Macintosh computer! If you have one please call and I will pick it up. Call Mike at 633-4215.

Kadena, Okinawa - Sony VAIO ALL-IN-ONE Desktop PC with 17 inches wide aspect LD Monitor, purchased from BX a few months ago for \$1,808, low condition, loaded with over \$3,000 in extra schware, will sell for \$1,250. Call 633-6242.

Computers



Furniture

Kadena, Okinawa - Set of marble (3), sofa table and coffice table. They have metal legs with marble and glass tops. The coffice table has an all-marble top. Paid \$1,500 in States. Asking \$500.co. They are 3 years old. Cal 633-1308 if interested.

Kadena, Okinawa - White Resin benches that fold over to make a picnic table, new still sealed in original box, purchased for \$70 each, must sell to reduce weight for PCS move, will sell for \$60 each or both for \$110.00. Call Greg at 633-6242.

Okinawa - Available Now!!! Entertainment center. Mfg by Saunders. Purchased at furni-

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360 Computers

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Furniture

Saunders. Purchased at furni-ture mart in 2000. Moving, must sell only \$150.00, paid \$299.00. Excellent shape. Can be seen at Kinser Towers. Call (H) 637-2298 leave message

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Foster, Okinawa - Couch & Love seat: Must go! Dark blue pin stripes. Had only 8 months. Will throw in rug. Just bought new set. \$350 no less than \$300. Yokota, Japan - Furniture: Must sell two brown recliners, 3 month old \$200 each, white wash with honey accents, 7-piece twin bedroom set, \$500.00 OBO. Call 227-5638.

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Foster, Okinawa - Full size couch and love seat: Dark blue with small flowers in staggered pattern and wood trim on armrest and back of armrest, very nice, good condition.

\$250.00. Call Jeff or Sharon at 646.6239.

o4t-6323. Kadena Airbase, Okinawa - Full size green plaid couch. slicht mildew small

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Kadena, Okinawa - Kitchen Island: Great for off base housing. Bought at foster furniture store for \$300.00 Mil sell for \$200.00. Call Lisa or Ryan 538-6056 or email Lisa. Loughrin 8 kadena. at mil. 633-0370.

0700-1600).
Casey, Korea - Dongduchen-Area 1, Air Conditioner, Fedders Window, 12,000 BTU, 110 voltage, Modelf RT15F2A, Cabinet Ster. 20 st Window, 22 st Depth. 1000, Nover Used In Korea, Asking: \$145,00 Call: 010-0700-0837 Used Into Nover Used In Korea, Asking: \$145,00 Call: 010-0700-0837 Used Into base housing and dort need anymore. 28 if yill 5 2 2 : 51 0 8 or cell 000-0786-532 or Foster, Okinawa - Like new changing table: White with two shelves not including the top. Hardly over used it, mostly to store animals. Excellent condition. \$45.00. Call 646-5283. Hardy over used 8, mostly to Chapter State 100 August 1

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Kadena Airbase, Okinawa Small microwave, white, 2 years o I d S 3 5. E m a i gmnarciso@hotmail.com or cal 936-7079.

TV/Entertainment center, fits 27 inch TV, with 3-drawers, \$50.00; Couch with hideaway bed, blue, small tear on arm, \$50.00; Floor lamp \$5.00; Matching table lamps, \$3.00 each. Call 645-5071. Kadena, Okinawa - 12° Pioneer Sub woofer 500watts max. Has a couple minor surface scratches-does not interfere with

Yokota, Japan - PCS Yard Sale: 7:00 A.M. to noon, Bldg 3293-E, 7 piece twin bedroom set, furniture, lamps, clothes, dishes, yard tools, rug, wall hangings, air conditioners, television, grill, etc. Call 227-5638. Kadena, Okinawa - 20° Sam-sung TV: Perfectly good with remote. Still looks new. Nothing rv. Perfectly good with remote. Still looks new. Nothing wrong with it, but I'm moving. I paid \$130; I'll sell it for \$100.00 OBO. Call Shella at 633-2391 or 090-9789-9086.

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Atsugi, Japan - Light wood bedroom: Queen bed frame \$500; 2-side table, \$75 and \$60; armoire, \$200; or whole set for \$800.00! Additional Queen bed frame \$300.00. Call 264-6684. 622-6209.

Okinawa: Do you have a vacuum sealer I can borrow or rent? I will purchase own bags; want to send items to deployed husband and don't want to burchase the \$120 vacuum sealer at the BX!

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oster, Okinawa - 2002 Kawa aki 900 STS Jet Ski: Excellen andition with cover, 3 "slipperv vest, great trailer, and extras. \$5.800.00 OBO. Call 646-6272

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Okinawa - 2 1997 Kawasak 1100 STX 3-seater Jet Ski, side 1100 STX 3-seater Jet Ski, side by side trailler, brand new factory OEM covers and hydro turi mats/seat covers. Will throw in some towables and gas cans that fit on trailer. Asking \$10,000 willing to negotiate. Must see. Call 633-2124.

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32	TLC	Clean Sweep "Print Purge" College para	phernalia. (CC)	Trading Spaces: For Edgeview Place" Fa	mily rooms. (CC)	Louis Secret" Family jects. (CC)	ut "St. Louis: The St. y room and den pro-	While You Were Ou Woman's Boudoir' T "ugly room" of an hi	ransforming the storic home. (N)	What Not to Wear "Mirella" Mirella needs a new look. (N) (CC)		While You Were Out "St. Louis: The St Louis Secret" Family room and den pro jects. (CC)		
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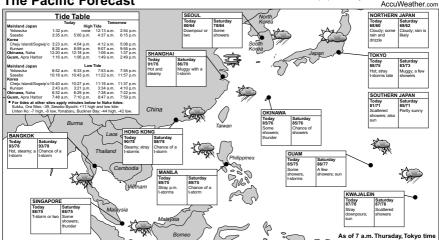
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Wednesday's USA Temperatures

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Amarillo	94/69	Little Rock	91/73
Anchorage	79/57	Louisville	85/66
Asheville	86/63	Miami	93/78
Baltimore	91/69	Milwaukee	67/56
Birmingham	87/72	Nashville	88/68
Bismarck	72/56	New York	86/71
Boise	83/51	Omaha	76/62
Boston	75/64	Orlando	94/75
Brownsville	96/78	Philadelphia	89/71
Buffalo	79/61	Phoenix	107/83
Burlington	85/65	Pittsburgh	80/61
Charleston, SC	96/76	Portland, OR	70/55
Charlotte	93/70	Portland, ME	78/62
Cleveland	82/59	Salt Lake City	
Columbus, OH	83/61	St. Louis	81/67
Duluth	62/49	San Antonio	95/76
El Paso	101/73	San Diego	73/65
Hartford	85/65	San Juan	90/76
Helena	74/48	Tampa	92/78
Indianapolis	78/60	Tulsa	89/75
Jacksonville	95/75	Washington	90/71
Kansas City	82/65	Wichita	87/72



U.S. Extended Forecast

High pressure will build into the Northeast Friday, behind a departing cold front. Showers and thunderstorms will develop anywhere south of the front Another cold front will bring showers and thunderstorms to the Upper Midwest and portions of the northern Plains. The Northwest will be cool, but it will be mostly sunny and hot across the Southwest. By the weekend, a large upper-level ridge will take control of most of the nation's weather. A disturbance will trigger showers and thunderstorms from the northern Plains to the Ohio Valley Saturday. Scattered afternoon thunderstorms will occur once again across the Southeast Saturday

Friday's Pacific Temperatures

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Television

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IAAF won't attempt to ban U.S. athletes

Track organization wants doping cases resolved before start of Athens Olympics

LONDON - Track and field's world governing body will not intervene to suspend American athletes facing doping allegations unless there is evidence they failed drug tests.

That means four U.S. athletes facing possible lifetime bans but have not tested positive for drugs - could compete in the Athens Olympics if their arbitration hearings have not been resolved by then.

"In the absence of facts, the IAAF cannot and will not do anything," IAAF General Secretary Istvan Gyulai told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Gyulai said the International Association of Athletics Federations expects that the six pending U.S. doping cases will be completed before next month's Olympics. "We would be very disappoint-

ed if they are not," he said by phone from IAAF headquarters

in Monaco. "Everyone who is a stakeholder here wishes this."

All the cases could ultimately end up before the international Court of Arbitration for Sport, and the IAAF would have to honor the rulings even if the athletes were hanned without testing positive for drugs.

USA Track & Field said Tues day that Tim Montgomery — the 100-meter world-record holder and the five others facing doping charges would be allowed to com-nete at the U.S. Olympic trials beginning Friday in Sacramento,

"We have no problem with that," Gyulai said. "Whether or not they can compete in the trials, we leave it in the hands of USA Track & Field.

Montgomery and sprinters Christye Gaines, Michelle Collins and Alvin Harrison have been no-tified by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency they face lifetime bans in the BALCO steroid investigation All are contesting the allegations.

Two Air Force players charged in steroid case

The Associated Press

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. Two suspended Air Force football players are facing steroid charges and a possible court-martial.

The school announced the charges against running back Matthew Ward and linebacker Overton Spence Jr., along with two other cadets on Tuesday

The charges are the result of a campus-wide probe into drug use first announced in May. Another cadet remains under investiga-

Ward and Spence were sus pended from the football team during the investigation, academy snokeswoman Cant. Kim Melchor said.

"We will be disappointed if it turns out the young men on our team were involved in this type of activity," coach Fisher DeBerry

Spence, who faces up to 25 years in prison if found guilty, was charged June 28 with using methandrostenolone as well as distributing and possessing 67 pills of the steroid. Ward, who faces a maximum 10-year sentence, was charged June 1 with using the same kind of steroid

and possessing 30 pills. Ward was the fourth-leading rusher last season with 384 yards and four touch-downs. Spence played in 11 games as a reserve linebacker. Both are juniors

Ohio State interviews Xavier basketball coach Matta

COLUMBUS, Ohio - A week

NCAA briefs

he had no interest in being coach at Ohio State, Xavier Thad

coach Matta interviewed for the posi-

tion on Wednesday. Matta, 36, met with athletic director Andy Geiger, members of the search committee and Ohio

State President Karen Holbrook. Columbus television station WCMH, citing a member of the search committee, said Wednesday that Matta took the job short-ly after it was offered to him.

Matta, who took Xavier to the regional finals of the NCAA tournament in March, was one of three coaches interviewed on campus this week. The others were Rice's Willis Wilson and Vanderbilt's Kevin Stallings. Interim head coach Rick Boyages was to be in-terviewed later on Wednesday but apparently did not meet with the search committee.

Another Auburn player to transfer to Indiana

INDIANAPOLIS point guard Lewis Monroe said Tuesday night he would transfer from Auburn to Indiana, becoming the second player from that school to choose the Hoosiers in less than a month.

Marco Killingsworth an-nounced his decision June 22 and

signed with Indiana last week.

Monroe averaged 6.1 points
and a team-high 3.6 assists while starting 14 games as a junior for the Tigers. Killingsworth, a 6-7 forward who averaged 13.7 points and 6.9 rebounds, also decided to transfer after his junior season.





Yankees' comeback falls short vs. Tigers

BY RONALD BLUM The Associated Press

NEW YORK - The Detroit Tigers beat up New York pitching for the second time in three days, and left town with a series win the Yankees for the first time in seven years.

Carlos Guillen had three hits including a three-run homer, and the Tigers pounded rookie Brad Halsey in a 10-8 victory Wednes-

Detroit, a 119-game loser last year, built a 10-3 lead by the sixth inning and took two of three from the Yankees, who have lost five of six to the Mets and Tigers since sweeping the Boston Red Sox last week

Halsey (1-2) gave up seven runs - five earned - and nine hits in 41/3 innings, an outing that put even more pressure on the Yankees to trade for a veteran starting pitcher. New York has allowed 49 runs in its last six games

Craig Monroe hit a rare homer for the Tigers, who won after Ivan Rodriguez and manager Alan Trammell were ejected in the first inning for arguing. The All-Star catcher had been called out on strikes by plate umpire Angel Hernandez

Detroit, which had lost five straight games coming in, won its first series in New York since taking three of four from July 10-13. 1997. In mid-June, the crosstown Mets swept three games from the Tigers at Shea Stadium.

Jeremy Bonderman (6-6) took a four-hitter into the seventh and

seven hits in 62/3 innings. After Enrique Wilson's RBI double and Derek Jeter's run-scoring single Franklyn German relieved and allowed a three-run homer to Alex Rodriguez, who had been hitting .083 (3-for-36) with runners in scoring position.

Esteban Yan came in with one on and two outs and retired Bernie Williams on a groundout, then pitched a one-hit eighth. Ugueth Urbina finished for his 12th save

in 14 chances. Hideki Matsui had three hits, including his 16th home run, which matched his total last year - his first in the major leagues after leaving Japan.

Rodriguez's seventh error of the season at third started New York's troubles in the second. After Rodriguez threw wildly to first on Guillen's leadoff grounder. Rondell White and Eric Munson had RBI singles, and Alex Sanchez bunted home another run for a 3-0 lead Sanchez hurt his right leg falling over first base trying to beat out a hit - he was called out - and left the game in the fourth

Matsui hit a two-run homer in the second, but White's RBI double made it 4-2 in the third. Kenny Lofton's triple and Gary Sheffield's sacrifice fly closed the gap in the bottom half, but Guillen's career-high 12th homer gave Detroit a 7-3 lead in the fifth and sank Halsey.

Monroe homered in the sixth off Bret Prinz, his third of this season and first in 111 at-bats since



Detroit Tigers' Ivan Rodriguez dives into third base with a triple in a June game against the Cleveland Indians. Rodriguez, the starting catcher for the AL's All-Star team, is 14 away from recording his 2,000th career hit.

Rodriguez: No catcher better than Pudge at – or behind – the plate

"And Pudge is as physical a catcher as there is. He controls the running game like no else in the game. There is so much concentration involved working behind the plate. It's the mental part of catching that wears you out, and it often shows up at bat. I remember Del Crandall, who was an All-Star catcher would get so frustrated. He was so caught up in working with his pitcher that he felt he was giving away at-bats because he couldn't focus at the

There's no doubt that Rodriguez, who was batting .371 entering Wednesday's game and had a 24-point lead, is focused. He was the AL player of the month for June when he hit 500 with 43 hits in 86 at-bats.

The rigors of their position make catchers unlikely challengers for a batting title. Only three have been runners-up—Spud Davis (.349) with the Phillies in 1933 Ted Simmons (332) with the Cardinals in 1975 and Mike Piazza (.346) with the Dodgers in 1995. Piazza finished third in batting twice and fourth once and is the only catcher to rank in the top five four times

Rodriguez has never finished

est average in a season in which he had the required plate appear nces for a batting title was the .332 he hit in his MVP year of 1999 for the Rangers. That placed him seventh among the league's top hitters.

"It's very tough what he is doing," Yankees catcher Jorge Posada said. "You have so much to think about when you're catching a game that hitting is the last thing you do. You'll be talking with a pitcher about opposing hitters or warming someone up or checking with the pitching coach about something, and then someone will tap you on the shoulder and tell you it's time for batting practice. Oh, yeah, that's right. I have to hit, too. For a catcher to win a batting title, that's a tough task. Skip did it, though."

Posada was half right. Torre led the NL in hitting with a .363 average for the Cardinals in 1971 but he played third base exclusively that year. He was the Braves' regular catcher for eight years before being traded to St. Louis for first baseman Orlando Ceneda in 1969 and inheriting his position. Torre divided time between catcher and third base in 1970 and shifted to third full-time the next year

strong offensive seasons. Twice he hit over .300, including .321 in 1964, when he finished fourth in the batting race won by Pirates right fielder Roberto Clemente

"As a manager, I feel whatever the catcher gives me offensively is gravy," Torre said. "I know when I was a catcher I felt if I did a good job behind the plate and helped guide my pitcher to a victo-ry, then it didn't matter if I got a hit I could go 0-for-4 in those circumstances and still feel I contributed something to a victory. I lost that when I went to the infield. Your at-bats stay with you at positions other than catcher.

"Just watching what Georgie (Posada) goes through makes me appreciate what a catcher does. said Yankees hatting coach Don Mattingly, the 1984 AL batting champion. "It's still too early in the year to be talking about batting titles. We're not really into the heat yet."

As the temperatures rise in July and August, Rodriguez could watch his average drop, although Torre is not so sure.

"Don't forget, Pudge was in Miami all last year," Torre said. "Detroit might seem like a vacation to him

Sosa, Griffey in HR derby

NEW YORK - Philadelphia's Jim Thome, Cincinnati's Ken Griffey Jr. and the Chicago Cubs' Sammy Sosa will represent the National League in next week's All-Star Home Run Derby

The New York Vankees' Jason

Giambi, Boston's David Ortiz and Raltimore's Rafael Palmeiro will be among the American League players to participate in the com-petition next Monday night in Houston.

One additional player from each league will be picked, the Wednesday

RBI leader Rolen playing through pain of sore left knee night's 3-1 loss to the Pirates. He was re-

ST. LOUIS - Scott Rolen expects to be able to play despite his sore left knee after an MRI revealed irritation in the joint Tues day. The Cardinals' All-Star third baseman

has been bothered by the knee for about a month but it mostly affects him on the base-MLB paths.

He leads the major briefs leagues with 80 RBIs.

"He's handling it all right, and it's actually

getting a little better," trainer Barry Weinberg said. "He's pretty active so he roughs it up a little bit and it flames up, and then it quiets down.

Rolen said he and Dr. George Paletta, the Cardinals' physician, discussed a series of injections that would cushion the knee. But he's holding off, at least for now

Rolen intends to play in the All-Star game July 13 in Houston. "It's manageable," he said

Rolen made his 81st start of the season Tuesday, more than any other Cardinals

player "I just think he's not the type that's going to sit around and give a lot of complaints," manager Tony La Russa said. "I don't

think he's 100 percent, but 100 percent for him is super.

"A little less than that and you're still doing really well compared to everybody

Marlins' Reckett returns to DI

MIAMI - World Series MVP Josh Beckett was placed on the 15-day disabled list Tuesday after tearing skin on his right middle finger, one day after returning from a back injury.

Beckett was activated before Monday

moved after throwing 73 pitches over four innings in just his second start since May

It's Reckett's third trin to the DL this season. He's been sidelined because of a blister on his right middle finger and a strained muscle in his back

Yankees' protest of ump's call denied NEW YORK - The New York Yankees'

protest of a weekend game against the New York Mets was denied Tuesday by the commissioner's office.

The Yankees officially filed the protest Monday, a day after Jorge Posada was called out for interference in the eighth inning of a 6-5 loss.

Posada was called out when he was hit while running to second on Miguel Cairo's grounder. Posada was struck by the ball after it got past diving first baseman Mike Piazza and umpires ruled second baseman Ty Wigginton, who was behind Posada, still had a chance to field the ball The Vankees' contention was that Wig-

ginton would have had no play at first base even if the ball did not deflect off Posada.

Calf sprain sidelines Rangers' Perry CLEVELAND - The Texas Rangers

placed infielder Herbert Perry on the 15-day disabled list Tuesday with a sprained right calf. Perry is batting .292 with five homers

and 17 RBIs. Expos place RHP Day on 15-day DL

SAN JUAN. Puerto Rico - Montreal

Expos right-hander Zach Day was placed on the 15-day disabled list Tuesday with right shoulder tendinitis.

Montreal recalled left-hander Chad Bentz from Triple-A Edmonton.

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Red Sox relish home field after rough trip

BOSTON - The Boston Red Sox returned home from a rotten road trip and got themselves a

feel-good win.
Tim Wakefield pitched seven innings of three-hit ball, and Johnny Damon singled five times as Boston rebounded with an 11-0 victory over the Oakland Athletics, a potential rival in the playoff

The Red Soy returned to Fenway Park after going 1-5 on the road, in-

cluding Roundup three-game sweep by the division-leading Yankees

Boston is 29-31 since May 1, squandering a three-game lead in the AL East.

Oakland and Texas are tied for first in the AL West, two games ahead of the Red Sox in the wild-card standings: Boston trails the Yankees by seven games in

"We both know where we stand and we both know we are fighting for the same thing right now said Wakefield, who won for the first time since May 23. "It was huge for all the guys in the club-house in there. We needed to win this one

Bill Mueller hit a three-run homer in the second inning, and the Red Sox scored four times in the fourth off Barry Zito (4-6), and again in the fifth off Justin Lehr

"This is the 2004 Red Sox that you see," first baseman Kevin Millar said Tuesday night after Boston turned the halfway point in the season. "This is the first time we're back in our house with

Winless in seven previous starts. Wakefield (5-5) did not



Boston Red Sox left fielder Manny Ramirez gestures toward the dugout after reaching base in the first inning against the Oakland Athletics on Tuesday in Boston. The Red Sox defeated the AL West-leading A's 11-0.

allow a runner until Marco Scutaro hit a liner that drifted away from right fielder Trot Nixon for a double with two outs in the

Only one other batter reached second against Wakefield, who

struck out six and walked one. Zito allowed seven runs - six earned - on nine hits and three walks in four innings, walking in two runs in the fourth. The 2002

AL Cy Young Award winner is winless in five starts. "A lot of pitches they hit were

good pitches," he said. "I had great stuff. The preparation was great.

Angels 6, White Sox 2: Jeff Da-Vanon hit a three-run homer off Freddy Garcia, who lost his first home start with the White Sox.

Garcia (5-8) struck out his first four batters and seven in eight innings, but allowed seven hits, two walks and four earned runs after agreeing on a \$27 million. three-year contract extension earlier in the day. Chicago has lost four straight.

John Lackey (6-8) allowed four hits in seven innings.

Twins 4, Royals 0: At Minneap-

olis, Johan Santana pitched a three-hitter for his first career complete game and tied his high with 13 strikeouts

Torii Hunter homered in the second inning for the Twins, and the Royals lost their season-high seventh straight.

Santana (7-5) reached dou ble-digit strikeouts for the fifth time in his last six outings.

Kansas City Greinke (1-6) rookie Zack lost his fifth straight start.

Tigers 9, Yankees 1: Jason Johnson pitched eight dominant Bobby Higginson hit two-run homers to help Detroit end a five-game skid. Johnson (6-7) retired his first 12 batters.

The Tigers won for the first time at Vankee Stadium since

Mike Mussina (9-6) gave up seven runs on nine hits working on three days' rest.

Devil Rays 3, Orioles 1: Mark Hendrickson pitched eight shutout innings and the visiting Devil Rays halted a three-game losing

streak Hendrickson (6-6) allowed six hits, struck out two and walked one Danys Baez pitched the

ninth for his 17th save. Rodrigo Lopez (6-5) gave up three runs on eight hits in 62/3 in-

Blue Jays 7, Mariners 6: Carlos Delgado doubled in his first at-bat off the disabled list, and Reed Johnson and Josh Phelps homered in a six-run first inning

for host Toronto. Delgado, who missed 33 games

because of a strained ribcage, went 1-for-3. Miguel Batista (8-5) won his fourth straight start. Rookie

Jason Frasor pitched the ninth for his ninth save Jamie Mover (6-5) lost his third

Indians 4, Rangers 1: At Cleve-land, the Indians halted a three-game losing streak and reliever Bob Wickman pitched for

the first time in almost two years. Wickman allowed one hit in the eighth in his return

"Tommy John" surgery.
Starter Cliff Lee (8-1) allowed four hits and struck out five, and David Riske picked up his third save

Texas starter Nick Bierbrodt (1-1) allowed three runs and one hit but walked seven

Dodgers closer Gagne starts new save streak

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES -Eric Gagne was back to his usual domi-

A day after his major league-record streak of 84 saves came to an end. Gagne pitched a scoreless ninth to preserve the Angeles Dodgers' fourth straight win, 4-1 over Arizona on Tuesday night.

"A feat ended last night like none other than we've ever seen, and probably won't ever see again." Los Angeles manager Jim Tracy said. "And if it does happen, it'll more than likely be him

On Monday night, Gagne came in with a 5-3 lead, but allowed RBI hits to Luis Gonzalez and Chad Tracy that tied the game

He received an ovation after Tracy's hit tied the score, and another when he came off the field. Fans at Dodger Stadium even clamored for a curtain call and he obliged.

Tuesday night, he welcomed the chance to preserve another lead

Jose Lima (7-3) held the Dia-

mondbacks to one run on seven hits in seven innings and Adrian Beltre hit a two-run homer to give the Dodgers the lead in a three-run sixth inning.

Lima stranded a runner at third in the seventh, stabbing a comebacker by Scott Hairston and throwing to first.

"In the seventh inning, you don't want to let them back in the game, because you saw what hap-pened last night." Lima said. "Not that I worried about Gagne, because Gagne's not human. Gagne makes pitching look too easy. And

pitching's not easy that, Darren Dreifort pitched a hitless eighth and the Dodgers handed Gagne the lead

No problem. "It was good to go back in there

right away and get the little de-mons out," Gagne said.

He retired his first two batters, Quinton McCracken and Robby Hammock, but then pinch-hitter Roberto Alomar singled.

Gagne reacted as he has since taking over the closer's job for Los Angeles early in the 2002 season. He struck out pinch-hitter Tim Olson with a 95 mph fastball. earning his 22nd save of the season — in 23 chances

Braves 1. Expos 0: At San Juan, Puerto Rico, Russ Ortiz pitched seven scoreless innings to put the Braves over .500 for the first time in nearly a month. Atlanta (42-41) has won nine of

12 since June 24. They last had a winning record (29-28) on June 9

Ortiz (9-6) pitched seven in-nings, allowed three hits, walked three and struck out three. John Smoltz got the final four outs for his 15th save.

Marlins 6, Pirates 3: Visiting Pittsburgh's 10-game winning streak ended, with Alex Gonzalez hitting a tiebreaking, three-run homer in the seventh inning.

The Pirates' streak was their longest since an 11-game streak from Sept. 12-22, 1996.

Dontrelle Willis, last season's NL Rookie of the Year, remained winless in four starts since June 13. Armando Benitez pitched a perfect ninth for his 28th save in 30 chances. Mets 4. Phillies 1: At Philadel-

phia, Al Leiter (5-2) pitched seven solid innings and Kaz Matsui went 3-for-5, helping the Mets pull within two games of the NL East-leading Phillies. New York has won five of six.

Braden Looper got his 17th save in 19 chances. Richard Hidalgo's team-record streak of homers in consecutive games ended at five.

Cardinals 5, Reds 3: Jim Edmonds homered and saved one with his glove, and Edgar Renteria hit a go-ahead, two-run homer in the seventh inning for host St.

Matt Morris (9-6) overcame a shaky second to work seven solid innings for St. Louis (51-32), which won its fifth straight to im prove the NL's best record.

Brewers 4, Cubs 2: Keith Ginter hit a two-run homer off Mark Prior (2-2) and Victor Santos (8-3) won for the sixth time in seven starts, allowing two runs and five hits in 62/3 innings for homestanding Milwaukee.

Milwaukee is 43-38, its first winning record at the halfway point since 1998. Dan Kolb pitch ninth for his 26th save

Padres 5. Astros 3: Brian Giles and Mark Loretta hit solo home runs to lead San Diego to its eighth straight home win. The NL West-leading Padres have won five in a row overall and 12 of their past 15.

Houston has lost three straight dropping nine games behind first-place St. Louis in the NL Central

Ismael Valdez (7-5) combined with four relievers on a five-hit-

Rockies 8, Giants 6: Jeromy Burnitz homered and drove in three runs, including a go-ahead single in the ninth, for visiting Colorado.

Burnitz singled off Jason Christiansen (1-2) with two outs.

Shawn Chacon pitched the ninth for his 19th save in 25 chances, walking Barry Bonds and Dustan Mohr with one out before A.J. Pierzynski popped up and Marquis Grissom hit a grounder to second to end it.

Lakers expected to hire Tomjanovich as coach

BY JOHN NADEL

The Associated Press

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — The Los Angeles Lakers remained without a coach late Wednesday, but the hiring of Rudy Tomjanovich anneared imminent.

Tomjanovich would succeed Phil Jackson, who coached the Lakers to three NBA championships in five years. The team announced June 18, three days after losing to the Detroit Pistons in the NBA Finals, that Jackson wouldn't return next season.

"We feel we've identified the guy that we want to hire," Lakers General Manager Mitch Kupchak said Tuesday, adding he hoped to have a coach in place by the end of the week.

Kupchak didn't identify Tomjanovich, but all indications are he's the only viable candidate remaining after Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski, North Carolina coach Roy Williams and Miami Heat President Pat Riley decided to remain in their current positions.

Kupchak did say Tomjanovich "would be a wonderful selection" if he gets the job.

Tomjanovich would be the

Tomjanovich would be the fourth coach in NBA history to coach one team to multiple championships before being hired by another, joining Bill Russell, Bilter and Luckers

The 55-year-old Tomjanovich guided Houston to titles in 1994 and 1995. He coached the Rockets for 12 years before stepping down in May 2003 — two months after being diagnosed with bladder cancer.

He negotiated a settlement of the remaining two years and \$12 million on his coaching contract with the Rockets.

Reportedly in good health now, Tomjanovich worked as a scout

with the Rockets last season his 34th year with the organization he joined in 1970 as the second overall selection in the NBA draft

Tomjanovich was the winningest coach in Rockets history with a 503-397 record, but they failed to make the playoffs in his last four years there.

He would join an unsettled Lakers team — Kobe Bryant is an unsetricted free agent who reportedly favored the hiring of Krzyzewski, and Shaquille O'Neal has demanded a trade.

Derek Fisher and Karl Malone are also unrestricted free agents.

Tomjanovich, one of the first candidates interviewed and considered a top candidate from the beginning, had to wait as the Lakers discussed the job with Riley, Krzyzewski and Williams.

Riley, a winner of 1,110 games in 21 seasons — the first nine with the Lakers — said he spoke with

Lakers officials but wasn't offered the position.

An offer was reportedly made last week to Krzyzewski, who announced Monday he was staying at Duke. Williams told the Lakers last month he wasn't interested in the job.

Jackson completed a five-year, \$30 million contract June 30. According to several published reports, Tomjanovich is expected to agree to a similar deal.

Tomjanovich survived one of the scariest moments in NBA history on Dec. 9, 1977, at The Forum in nearby Inglewood when Lakers forward Kermit Washington blindsided him with a devastating punch that sent him crashine to the floor with several

shattered facial bones.

Doctors later said the injuries were life-threatening, but Tomjanovich returned the following season wearing a protective mask and made one of his five appearances in the NBA All-Star Game.



With Mike Krzyzewski, Roy Williams and Pat Riley out of the picture, Rudy Tomjanovich, above, looks to be the only viable candidate for the Lakers' head coaching job.

Bryant meets with Nuggets

Denver has enough salary cap room to attract free agents

The Associated Pres

DENVER — Kobe Bryant has met with Denver General Manager Kiki Vandeweghe, opening up the possibility that the Lakers free agent could be moving his basketball home to the state where he will stand trial for sexual assault next month.

A Nuggets source told The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity Tuesday that Bryant had a meeting with the Nuggets GM on Monday.

Denver, which was some \$23 million under the salary cap before re-signing center Marcus Camby last week, is expected to target top free agents before next

New Jersey forward Kenyon Martin, Los Angeles Clippers guard Quentin Richardson, Portland forward Darius Miles and San Antonio sharpshooter Manu Ginobili have all been mentioned as possibilities.

Denver made the playoffs in a huge turnaround last season, with budding superstar Carmelo Anthony leading the way. But the possibility of landing All-Star Bryant is apparently too good to pass up — despite his legal troubles.

Bryant has pleaded not guilty to felony sexual assault. If convicted, he faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation, and a fine up to \$750,000. The trial begins Aug. 27.

The Lakers still hope to bring Bryant back, General Manager Mitch Kupchak said.

"I'm in constant contact with Kobe and his representatives," he said at a news conference in Los Angeles.

Pistons' Wallace meets with Dumars

DETROIT — Rasheed Wallace met with Joe Dumars on Tuesday, the first face-to-face conver-



sation the forward has had with the Detroit Pistons since helping them win the NBA title last

"The meeting with Rasheed went well," Dumars said in an interview late Tuesday night with The Associated Press. "But there's nothing else to report

right now."

Wallace, an unrestricted free agent who made \$17 million last season, declined to talk about his

future plans.

Wallace was acquired in a three-team deal on Feb. 19 to put the Pistons over the top — to help transform a contender into a

champion. And he did.

Wallace averaged 16 points, 6.8
rebounds, 2.3 assists and 1.8
blocks last season, his ninth in the

Report: Magic GM receives death threats at his home

ORLANDO, Fla. — Orlando Magic General Manager John Weisbrod reportedly received written death threats at his home about trading two-time NBA scoring champion Tracy McGrady.

Florida Today reported Wednesday that Weisbrod received two such threats since mid-June, and was forced to check into a hotel under an alias for two nights last week.

On June 17, one week before the NBA Draft, Weisbrod found a threatening note taped to the front door of his home. He said he called Magic assistant general manager Scott Herring and went ahead with plans to take draft prospect Emeka Okafor to dinner. Nearly two weeks later, on the day the Magic announced McGrady's trade to Houston, a death threat was scribbled on the glass door of the house with a grease marker. Weisbrod said.

"I get harassing correspondence all the time, but when it starts happening at your house, that raises the bar to a different level," said Weisbrod, a 35-year-old divorced father of

Raptors sign G Alston

TORONTO — Free agent point guard Rafer Alston signed a six-year contract worth up to \$30 million with the Toronto Raptors, his agent said Wednesday.

"We do have an agreement and Rafer is thrilled," said Paul Nadel, who works with Fegan and Associates.

Raptors spokesman Jim La-Bumbard confirmed Wednesday that the team was in negotiations with Alston but would not confirm the signing.

Alston played for the Miami Heat last season, averaging 10.2 points and 4.5 assists, while shooting 37.1 percent from three-point range.

Orlando signs No. 1 pick Howard to three-year contract

ORLANDO, Fla. — Top overall draft pick Dwight Howard signed a three-year contract with the Orlando Magic on Wednesday.

Howard, an 18-year-old forward who played at Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy last season, was the first of eight high school players taken in the first 19 picks of the draft. Three of the last four No. 1 picks have been players jumping directly from press to pros.

The rookie scale under the NBA's collective bargaining agreement calls for the No. 1 over-



Forward Rasheed Wallace (30) met with team president Joe Dumars on Tuesday in the first face-to-face conversation the forward has had with the Pistons since helping them win the NBA title last month.

all pick to earn a little more than \$11.2 million over the life of the contract, and almost \$3.5 million this season

Pacers sign top pick

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Pacers signed first-round

draft pick David Harrison on Wednesday. Harrison, a 7-foot, 285-pound

rairison, a /-100t, 283-pointu center, was the last player picked in the first round of the NBA draft, selected 29th overall. He signed a three-year deal worth about \$2.2 million, with a rookie season salary of \$696,300.

Armstrong moves into overall lead

Five-time champ at front of field after blazing time trial

BY JOHN LEICESTER

The Associated Press

ARRAS France - It's the iersev Lance Armstrong covets and works so hard for: garish yellow and awarded daily to the leader of the Tour de France.

Armstrong slipped into the jersey Wednesday for the first time in this Tour after he and his team won a rain-soaked time trial.

Then the five-time champion said he's ready to surrender the cherished shirt - at least tempo-

The reason? Because defending the lead at this early stage of the three-week race would be too grueling. For Armstrong, there's just one place where wearing yellow really counts: at the finish on the Champs-Elys Dees in Paris on July 25

That would be Armstrong's sixth crown, a record in the 101-year-old race. The Texan took a big step toward that goal in Wednesday's team event, opening up important but not insurmountable gaps over key rivals.

From here on, Armstrong will try to prevent them from recovering the lost ground, and even look to extend his advantage when the Tour climbs into the Pyrenees at the end of week two, followed by the Alps

But Armstrong's team can't keep tabs on all 183 riders still in the race. As long as key challengers don't zoom ahead. Armstrong



Lance Armstrong, second from left, and the U.S. Postal team won the fourth stage Wednesday with the third-fastest time trial in Tour de France history, propelling Armstrong into the overall lead.

indicated he won't exhaust his teammates by making them chase down breakaways by second-tier riders at this stage even if their efforts earn them the vellow jersey for a day or two.

"This is a hard race to defend," the 32-year-old Armstrong said. "We're not going to sacrifice the team to defend the vellow iersev in the north of France. The time to work and defend begins in the

Were it not for new rules, Armstrong's squad could have done far more damage to rivals. His U.S. Postal Service squad, driven on by Armstrong yelling encouragement, dominated the techni-

cal event.

Armstrong and his teammates took turns at the front of their line along the 40-mile course from Cambrai to Arras.

They started slowly, coming

91st TOUR DE FRANCE

A tour of the North

The Tour continues from Amiens. which first hosted a stage in 1932 to Chartres, making its first appearance as a stage town.



Gutierrez rides for Phonak Hearing Systems, the same team as Armstrong's American rival Tyler Hamilton, who was 36 seconds behind.

As a team, Phonak trailed by 1 minute, 7 seconds, but because of the new regulations that limit the advantage gained by the winners, Hamilton lost just 20 seconds to Armstrong overall.

The T-Mobile squad of Armstrong's most feared challenger. 1997 Tour winner Jan Ullrich of Germany, finished fourth, 1 minute, 19 seconds back. But Ullrich's loss was cut to 40 seconds by the rule-change

United States men's team rises to best-ever 7th in FIFA rankings

The Associated Press

ZURICH, Switzerland - The United States advanced to an all-time high No. 7 in FIFA's rankings Wednesday while Greece jumped 21 spots to No. 14 after its dazzling run to the European Championship title Brazil remained No. 1 for the

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25th straight month, and France and Spain stayed at second and third.

The United States twice had climbed as high as eighth - in September 2002 and again in May. The Americans Grenada in

home-and-home series in June to reach the semifinals of World Cup qualifying in its region of North and Central America and the Caribbean.

Greece was ranked as low a 59th as recently as March 2002. It climbed "possibly the greatest ever number of places in the upper reaches of the ranking." soccer's governing body said.

Its 1-0 victory over Portugal on Sunday in the Euro 2004 final gave Greece its first major title.

Japanese baseball owners discuss merging leagues

TOKYO - Japanese baseball owners will meet in September to discuss merging the Central and Pacific Leagues.

The Pacific League's Orix Blue-Wave and Kintetsu Buffaloes said June 13 they planned to merge for the 2005 season, which would leave just five teams in the league. That triggered the merg-

Asashoryu marches on at Nagoya sumo

NAGOYA, Japan - Grand

champion Asashoryu showed no sign of letting up Wednesday and improved to 4-0 with a solid win over Kotomitsuki at the Nagova Grand Sumo Tournament.

After a brief standoff in the final bout at Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium, Mongolian Asashoryu used a textbook arm throw to send komusubi Kotomitsuki sprawling to the dirt surface.

Asashoryu, who is gunning for his fourth straight Emperor's Cup, remained tied for the lead with three others while Kotomitsuki fell to 2-2.

Avs hire Quenneville as coach, demote Granato

DENVER - Joel Ouenneville has been hired to coach the Colorado Avalanche, replacing Tony Granato, who will become his as

Ouenneville was the coach of the St. Louis Blues from January 1997 until this February, when he was fired during a 4-12 slump.

In five of his six full seasons at St. Louis, Quenneville led the Rlues to at least 40 regular-sea. son wins.

They won 307 regular-season games but went 34-34 in the post-

Granato was 73-33-17-11 as head coach.

Patriots release CR Smith

FOXBORO, Mass. - The New England Patriots released cornerback Otis Smith on Wednesday,

less than three months after re-signing the 14-year veteran. The team offered no evoluna tion for the move.

The 38-year-old Smith played with the Detroit Lions last season, starting the final 13 games and finished with 59 tackles, one interception and 1.5 sacks.

Registration opens July 19 for Kadena Klassic softball

through in fifth place at the first

time check, but then picked up speed. Despite wet roads, they

clocked an average speed of 33.3

10 seconds, but the next four

spots on the leader board were oc-

cupied by his teammates. The

closest non-team member was

Spain's Jose Enrique Gutierrez,

who was 27 seconds behind in

Armstrong's overall lead was

mph — the third fastest ever.

KADENA AIR BASE Okina wa - Registration for the 10th annual Kadena Klassic Open Softball Tournament, the third leg on the Pacific interservice Grand Slam circuit scheduled for Sept. 3-6, will begin July 19, 18th Services sports officials

The sign-up period will end Aug. 20, and the entry fee is \$150. The tournament, open to 24 men's and 12 women's teams, will be played at the Kadena FourDiamonds Softball Complex.

For more information, contact:

■ Tournament director Dexter High at DSN 634-5307 or dexter.high@kadena.af.mil ■ Pierce at DSN 634-1175 or

dawn.pierce@kadena.af.mil. ■ Staff Sgt. Bobbie Caron at OSN 634-2207 or bobbie.caron@kadena.af.mil.

Yokota taking entries for Armed Forces Invitational

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan - Entries are being taken for the 2nd Annual Pacific Armed Forces Invitational Softball Tournament, scheduled for

Local briefs Yokota's Wilkens and Snyder fields. tournament

officials said. The tournament will use a combined round-robin and double-elimination playoff format.

The entry fee is \$200. The regtration deadline is July 30. Call tournament directors Ken Wade or Dana Finniss at DSN 225-7710, or e-mail kenneth.wade@yokota.af.mil dana.finniss@yokota.af.mil, for more information.

Camp Foster to host bowling tournament

CAMP FOSTER, Okinawa A free bowling tournament is scheduled for July 23 from 1-5 p.m. at the Foster Bowling Alley.

The event is open to the first 20 teams — three bowlers per squad — that sign up. Any Camp Butler military member may compete. All games and use of bowling shoes are free. Trophies go to the top three teams

Call DSN 645-7216 or e-mail serranor@mcbbutler.usmc.mil for more information.

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Ivan the terrible

Opposing pitchers fear AL batting leader Ivan Rodriguez like no other catcher in baseball history

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he Rodriguez whose name is atop the batting leaders in the American League is not the guy playing third base for the Yankees.

It is the Rodriguez whose first name makes one think of Cossacks, answers to Carlton Fisk's old nickname and is best known in New England as the player who beat out Pedro Martinez for AL MVP five years ago.

Oh, one more thing, Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez is a catcher - not a typical position for batting champions. If Rodriguez finishes the season where he is now, he would be the first AL catcher to win a batting crown.

Only two catchers have won batting titles. The Reds' Bubbles Hargrave led the National League with a .353 average in 1926. And Hall of Famer Ernie Lombardi, perhaps the slowest runner in baseball history, led the NL in hitting twice, batting .342 for the Reds in 1938 and .330 for the Boston Braves four years later.

'You know he didn't get any 'leg' hits," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "I didn't either

As a former batting champion (1971) who had caught earlier in his career, Torre fully appreciates what Rodriguez is doing this year

"The physical demands of the position are such that it is amazing to see the numbers he's putting up," Torre said

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Ivan Rodriguez is batting .371, tops in the American

Fashion statement: Armstrong

dons leader's yellow jersey, blisters field in time trial

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